

MONTHLY RETURN

OF THE

Births, Deaths, and Marriages

IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

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REPORT

During the month of January 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4470 living children, of whom 2296 were males, and 2174 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month that of male children is 127 less, of female children 46 less, and of children of both sexes 173 less. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 22·1 per thousand. This rate is 0·5 less than that of the previous month, and is 1·8 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 22·0 and varied from 30·9 in Hamilton, 26·4 in Falkirk, 26·3 in Coatbridge, and 24·5 in Glasgow, to 16·3 in Dunfermline, 16·4 in Edinburgh, 17·5 in Perth, and 18·0 in Kilmarnock. In Clydebank this rate was 23·5, in Motherwell and Wishaw 23·3, in Greenock 22·4, in Paisley 22·3, in Dundee 21·6, in Aberdeen 21·3, in Ayr 20·9, and in Kirkcaldy 20·1.

Of the 4470 children whose births were registered during the month, 4190, or 93·7 per cent., were legitimate, while 280, or 6·3 per cent., were illegitimate. Compared with the number in the previous month, the legitimate children of the month are 146 fewer, and the illegitimate children are 27 fewer. The illegitimate rate of the month, 6·3 per cent., is 0·3 less than that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate of the month averaged 6·1 and varied from 11·6 in Kirkcaldy, 9·1 in Kilmarnock, 8·7 in Dundee, and 7·8 in Edinburgh, to 2·0 in Perth, 3·5 in Dunfermline, 3·9 in Falkirk, and 4·0 in Coatbridge.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 2143, which number is 408 more than that of the previous month. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 10·6 per thousand; this rate is 2·1 more than that of the previous month, and is 0·1 more than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly marriage-rate averaged 9·7, and ranged from 12·5 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 11·8 in Glasgow and in Dundee, 11·7 in Falkirk, and 11·4 in Ayr, to 6·9 in Greenock, 7·1 in Clydebank, and 7·8 in Aberdeen.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 3204, 1555 being of males and 1649 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in

Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 3048. The corrected number of deaths includes those of 1472 males and 1576 females. The corrected number is 784 less than that of the previous month. The monthly death-rate, based on the corrected number of deaths, was 15·1 per thousand. This rate is 3·6 less than that of the previous month, and 1·7 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly death-rate averaged 13·6, and varied from 16·9 in Kirkealdy, 16·8 in Glasgow, 16·8 in Perth, and 16·3 in Dundee, to 10·7 in Clydebank, 10·8 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 11·5 in Kilmarnock, and 11·7 in Falkirk. In Coatbridge the monthly death-rate was 14·9, in Aberdeen 14·3, in Edinburgh 13·7, in Hamilton 13·1, in Paisley 13·0, in Greenock 12·7, in Ayr 12·7, and in Dunfermline 12·3.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 438, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 96 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths are 131 fewer than in the previous month. This rate is 26 less than that of the previous month, and 26 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

In the individual towns the monthly infantile mortality rate averaged 86, and varied from 145 in Dunfermline, 126 in Hamilton, and 125 in Dundee, to 31 in Kilmarnock, 47 in Greenock, and 48 in Motherwell and Wishaw. In Aberdeen this rate was 114, in Coatbridge 111, in Glasgow 108, in Kirkealdy 100, in Perth 83, in Ayr 78, in Edinburgh 69, in Clydebank 64, in Paisley 60, and in Falkirk 60.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 169, and equalled a death-rate of 0·8 per thousand. These deaths collectively number 44 fewer than in the previous month, and 154 fewer than the mean of the numbers of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. These deaths include 1 from enteric fever, 73 from measles, 15 from scarlet fever, 28 from whooping-cough, 29 from diphtheria, and 23 from the diarrhoeas of childhood. Compared with the number in the previous month, deaths from the diarrhoeas of childhood are 21 fewer, from diphtheria 13 fewer, from whooping-cough 10 fewer, and from scarlet fever 6 fewer, but those from enteric fever are of the same number, while those from measles are 6 more.

Deaths from influenza numbered 40. In December these deaths numbered 72, in November 53, and in October 33.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 592, and equalled a death-rate of 2·9 per thousand. This death-rate is 2·6 less than that of the previous month, and 0·6 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 221, of which 166 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 31 less than that of the previous month, and 63 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. The latter number is 13 less than that of the previous month, and 43 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

JANUARY 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·650 in.; less than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·218 in.

Mean temperature, 40°·0; greater by 2°·0.

Mean daily range of temperature, 7°·3; less by 1°·5.

Rain, depth in inches, 5·56; greater by 2·35 in.

Wind, direction of: an 8 days' excess of winds from between S.E. and S.W.

For the first ten days the pressure distribution over the British Isles was of a south-westerly type; but by 12th, with pressure high over Scandinavia and low near Spain, easterly winds developed, and for a few days, with winds from east or north, wintry weather prevailed. From 18th onwards mild, wet, and rather stormy south-westerly to westerly conditions were again much in evidence. At Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, the extremes were 30·50 in. on 13th and 29·01 in. on 23rd and 29th.

A prolonged cold spell had come to an end on 27th December 1925, and, after rather low temperatures on 1st and 2nd January 1926, a somewhat mild type of weather continued until about 12th. The cold which followed was much more acute in England than in Scotland, and with mild conditions from 18th to 30th the mean temperature was appreciably above the normal and about 5° above the mean for the preceding month. The extremes reported were 57° at Gordon Castle on 10th, and 16° at Braemar on 1st.

Precipitation was below the normal in the extreme north; but above it over the greater part of Scotland, and in some districts the excess was considerable. Thus Dumfries and Perth had about twice, and Dundee nearly two and a half times, the normal. Within the wetter areas the month was, as a rule, less wet than in 1921; but at Dundee it was the wettest January since 1867, and at Colmonell in South Ayrshire the wettest since 1894. Conditions were very unsettled during the first ten days, with some heavy falls towards west and north-west. On 8th Kinloch-quoich had 2·89 in., and on 10th Achdaliu, near Fort-William, 3·18 in. and Arrochar 2·23 in. From 11th to 16th very fine weather was experienced towards the north-west; but from 17th onwards many districts had rain on every day, with some heavy falls notably on 22nd, 24th, and 29th.

Wind force was at times high, especially around 9th, 16th, and 29th. About the middle of the month, and especially on night of 17th-18th, snow was general. Braemar reported "snow-lying" from 1st to 9th, and from 14th to 25th, with a depth of 5 in. on 18th. Flooding occurred in Perthshire and elsewhere about 10th and towards the end of the month.

Lightning occurred at Aberdeen on 6th, and a thunderstorm in Fifeshire and towards north-west on 25th.

Sunshine amounts were largest around the upper Moray Firth, but the month in most districts was very cloudy. At Aberdeen practically no sunshine was recorded from 14th to 24th, and half of the month's small aggregate was accounted for on 25th, 26th, and 28th.

Aurora was widely observed, from Shetland as far south as West Linton, on 13th, and at one or two places on 7th, 15th, or 22nd.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 8.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, JANUARY 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,034,174	1,034,500	1108	1046	2154	2025	129	1034	780	760	1540	117	55	1478
EDINBURGH, . .	420,264	424,600	334	253	590	544	46	362	270	297	567	87	15	495
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	159	153	312	285	27	171	92	141	233	5	7	235
ABERDEEN, . .	158,963	157,600	129	156	285	272	13	105	88	102	190	23	24	191
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	77	87	164	156	8	66	48	59	107	15	4	96
GREENOCK, . .	81,123	81,700	80	75	155	146	9	48	50	39	89	6	5	88
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	68,869	70,900	73	67	140	132	8	75	28	31	59	0	6	65
CLYDEBANK, . .	46,601	46,200	39	53	92	85	7	28	15	16	31	4	15	42
COATBRIDGE, . .	43,919	45,200	46	55	101	97	4	36	21	35	56	1	2	57
DUNFERMLINE, .	39,899	41,100	35	22	57	55	2	30	27	21	48	8	3	43
KIRKCALDY, . .	39,591	40,300	43	26	69	61	8	35	19	34	53	3	8	58
HAMILTON, . . .	39,420	39,600	47	57	104	98	6	29	19	18	37	0	7	44
KILMARNOCK, . .	35,911	35,900	33	22	55	50	5	28	20	21	41	10	4	35
AYR,	35,763	37,200	34	32	66	62	4	36	27	25	52	15	3	40
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	29	48	77	74	3	34	24	14	38	8	4	34
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	30	19	49	48	1	26	27	36	63	16	0	47
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,364,165	2,378,900	2296	2174	4470	4190	280	2143	1555	1649	3204	318	162	3048

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, JANUARY 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tubercu- losis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	24.5	6.0	11.8	17.5	16.8	1.5	1.2	1.0	3.9	235	108
EDINBURGH, . .	16.4	7.8	10.0	15.7	13.7	0.4	0.9	0.8	1.9	46	69
DUNDEE, . . .	21.6	8.7	11.8	16.1	16.3	0.6	1.2	0.9	2.7	39	125
ABERDEEN, . .	21.3	4.6	7.8	14.2	14.3	0.4	0.7	0.4	2.1	33	114
PAISLEY, . . .	22.3	4.9	9.0	14.5	13.0	0.0	1.1	0.5	2.6	10	60
GREENOCK, . .	22.4	5.8	6.9	12.8	12.7	0.0	1.9	1.2	1.9	8	47
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	23.3	5.7	12.5	9.8	10.8	0.5	0.8	0.7	2.2	7	48
CLYDEBANK, . .	23.5	7.6	7.1	7.9	10.7	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.5	6	64
COATBRIDGE, . .	26.8	4.0	9.4	14.6	14.9	0.3	0.5	0.3	1.8	11	111
DUNFERMLINE, .	16.3	3.5	8.6	13.8	12.3	0.0	0.6	0.6	3.2	9	145
KIRKCALDY, . .	20.1	11.6	10.2	15.5	16.9	0.0	0.9	0.6	3.5	7	100
HAMILTON, . . .	30.9	5.8	8.6	11.0	13.1	0.6	1.8	1.2	2.4	12	126
KILMARNOCK, . .	18.0	9.1	9.2	13.4	11.5	0.0	1.6	1.0	1.3	2	31
AYR,	20.9	6.1	11.4	16.5	12.7	0.0	1.3	0.6	1.9	5	78
FALKIRK, . . .	26.4	3.9	11.7	13.0	11.7	0.3	0.7	0.3	2.4	4	60
PERTH,	17.5	2.0	9.3	22.5	16.8	0.0	0.7	0.7	2.1	4	83
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	22.1	6.3	10.6	15.9	15.1	0.8	1.1	0.8	2.9	438	96

Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR JANUARY 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							* Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
JAN. 1926, .	22.1	6.3	10.6	15.1	1	0	73	15	28	29	23	96	40° 0
JAN. 1925, .	21.8	6.3	10.2	16.6	3	0	72	17	168	45	29	128	40° 9
JAN. 1924, .	23.9	6.7	9.6	17.6	2	0	217	17	91	31	35	130	39° 2
JAN. 1923, .	25.9	6.5	11.7	16.2	2	0	84	25	67	33	31	109	42° 6
JAN. 1922, .	28.6	7.0	11.2	33.6	3	0	296	21	123	39	48	206	37° 0
JAN. 1921, .	26.1	7.0	15.9	16.9	1	7	18	18	60	34	66	113	41° 8
JAN. 1920, .	34.1	6.9	16.6	16.9	4	0	65	8	20	39	37	123	38° 7
JAN. 1919, .	20.3	10.7	11.4	18.4	1	0	10	9	110	44	29	152	37° 2
JAN. 1918, .	20.1	8.2	10.9	16.9	2	0	105	6	79	32	44	124	36° 3
JAN. 1917, .	23.1	7.1	10.9	19.0	2	0	79	6	51	41	58	129	36° 1
JAN. 1916, .	23.9	6.7	12.6	14.8	6	0	93	51	17	58	41	98	43° 8

Figures in Columns 5-13 have been corrected for non-resident deaths.

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—January 1926

CAUSES OF DEATH.						Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.												
									-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over	
Enteric Fever	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Typhus Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Small-pox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	73	39	34	16	56	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	-	-	15	8	7	-	10	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Whooping-cough	-	-	-	-	-	28	12	16	11	15	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	29	11	18	3	16	8	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Influenza	-	-	-	-	-	40	28	12	1	2	1	-	2	2	4	6	5	13	2	2	
Encephalitis Lethargica	-	-	-	-	-	6	2	4	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	2	-	-	
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Epidemic Diseases	-	-	-	-	-	17	7	10	1	3	-	1	2	2	-	1	2	3	2	-	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	-	-	-	-	-	166	83	83	4	4	2	5	36	45	24	24	15	6	1	-	
Tuberculous Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	18	11	7	3	10	2	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum	-	-	-	-	-	14	6	8	1	6	2	-	2	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	
Other Tuberculous Disease	-	-	-	-	-	23	6	17	4	2	1	1	6	1	4	2	2	-	-	-	
Malignant Tumours	-	-	-	-	-	278	128	150	-	1	1	-	2	3	19	36	96	79	36	5	
Rheumatic Fever	-	-	-	-	-	8	4	4	-	-	-	1	3	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.)	-	-	-	-	-	24	11	13	15	7	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	
Apoplexy	-	-	-	-	-	280	120	160	-	-	-	-	1	3	5	34	61	88	77	11	
Heart Disease	-	-	-	-	-	332	146	186	3	-	4	4	2	12	26	27	61	109	71	13	
Diseases of Arteries	-	-	-	-	-	48	21	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	12	9	13	9	
Bronchitis	-	-	-	-	-	219	96	123	31	1	-	1	4	2	10	13	37	68	45	7	
Pneumonia (all forms)	-	-	-	-	-	334	188	146	77	69	2	5	8	16	26	40	33	34	17	7	
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	-	-	-	-	-	39	23	16	4	4	-	1	1	1	2	5	8	9	3	1	
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	-	-	-	-	-	23	13	10	19	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appendicitis	-	-	-	-	-	19	8	11	-	2	6	3	2	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	-	-	-	-	-	20	7	13	-	1	-	-	1	-	3	2	6	6	1	-	
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	-	-	-	-	-	101	43	58	1	1	3	2	1	5	5	19	32	23	8	1	
Puerperal Sepsis	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	14	-	-	-	-	6	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part.	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	24	-	-	-	-	5	13	5	1	-	-	-	-	
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform.	-	-	-	-	-	179	108	71	177	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suicide	-	-	-	-	-	17	11	6	-	-	-	-	1	3	2	3	3	4	1	-	
Other Violent Deaths	-	-	-	-	-	97	59	38	12	14	3	-	4	6	13	11	12	10	8	4	
Other Defined Diseases	-	-	-	-	-	500	235	265	46	15	4	8	10	14	47	53	65	76	111	51	
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	60	35	25	8	2	-	-	1	2	4	6	12	15	10	-	
						3048	1472	1576	438	247	43	37	102	142	206	297	463	556	406	111	

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)-- January 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Glydebank.
Enteric Fever	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	73	70	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Scarlet Fever	15	6	6	2	...	...	...	1	...
Whooping-cough	28	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria	29	14	7	6	2	...	...	...	...
Influenza	40	15	9	1	1	1	4	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	6	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	17	7	2	3	2	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	166	86	28	13	5	4	8	4	11
Tuberculous Meningitis	18	7	1	2	2	1	2	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	14	5	4	2	...	2	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	23	9	1	1	2	1	3	1	...
Malignant Tumours	278	121	46	19	24	12	4	7	66
Rheumatic Fever	8	2	2	1	1	...	...	1	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	24	10	2	2	2	...	2	...	...
Apoplexy	280	122	59	17	15	7	7	4	66
Heart Disease	332	146	71	26	22	10	11	10	55
Diseases of Arteries	48	13	11	2	8	1	3	...	11
Bronchitis	219	133	15	20	8	5	5	7	...
Pneumonia (all forms)	334	198	43	16	18	14	5	6	22
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	39	16	12	3	2	...	3	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	23	15	...	...	4	...	...	1	22
Appendicitis	19	8	3	1	1	2	...	1	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	20	5	4	2	4	1	...	1	11
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	101	34	15	15	7	3	4	5	11
Puerperal Sepsis	14	8	...	1	...	...	...	2	11
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	24	11	3	2	...	...	...	1	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	179	89	19	23	12	4	3	4	31
Suicide	17	5	8	1	...	1	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	97	43	23	9	5	3	2	2	31
Other Defined Diseases	500	214	97	40	41	20	19	5	101
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	60	33	2	4	3	4	3	1	...
All Causes	3048	1478	495	235	191	96	88	65	421
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	438	235	46	39	33	10	8	7	6
1- 4	247	156	30	17	10	5	6	5	3
5- 9	43	23	9	1	1	1	2	...	1
10-14	37	18	5	3	3	2	3	2	...
15-24	102	50	16	8	3	4	5	3	...
25-34	142	65	20	9	7	4	6	4	2
35-44	206	117	28	14	8	4	5	5	5
45-54	297	152	41	27	11	11	11	7	4
55-64	463	228	69	28	34	16	12	10	8
65-74	556	229	107	54	38	25	13	17	4
75-84	406	167	88	28	37	12	15	5	9
85 and over	111	38	36	7	6	2	2	...	...
All Ages	3048	1478	495	235	191	96	88	65	421

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—January 1926—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkealdy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Influenza... ..	4	...	...	1	...	...	1	3
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	1	2	2	4	3	2	1	2
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	1	...	...	1	1	1	1	...
Malignant Tumours	12	3	8	...	2	5	4	5
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	4	...	1	...	...	...	1	...
Apoplexy	3	3	11	3	8	6	4	5
Heart Disease	6	4	4	3	2	3	3	6
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	2	1	1	2	...	3
Bronchitis	2	5	5	3	1	2	4	4
Pneumonia (all forms)	5	6	5	4	3	4	3	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) ...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	6
Puerperal Sepsis	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	2	...	1	2	...	...	1	1
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	5	5	2	5	1	1	3	...
Suicide ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	1	1	...	1	2	1	1	...
Other Defined Diseases	6	10	7	5	4	10	4	8
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	1	1	4	...	1	...	1	2
All Causes	57	43	58	44	35	40	34	47
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	11	9	7	12	2	5	4	4
1- 4	1	3	2	5	1	1	2	...
5- 9 ... ..	...	...	...	2	1	...	...	2
10-14 ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
15-24	2	3	2	2	2	...	1	1
25-34	5	2	5	4	1	5	1	2
35-44	7	...	1	4	2	2	3	1
45-54	3	4	4	5	4	5	2	6
55-64	10	6	12	5	9	6	5	5
65-74	11	10	9	3	4	8	13	11
75-84	6	3	14	1	6	4	2	9
85 and over	1	3	2	1	2	4	1	6
All Ages	57	43	58	44	35	40	34	47

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of JANUARY 1926.

OBSERVERS.	Height of Station above Sea-level.	BARO- METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRE- CIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.													
		Mean at Station and 32°.	Mean at Sea-Level and 32°.	Maximum (A).	Minimum (B.)	Mean of	Mean of A and B (Mean Tem- perature).	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Absolute Maximum and Minimum.				Dry Bulb.	Depression of Wet Bulb.	Vapour Pressure.	Humidity.	Number of Days.	Total Fall.	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.									
									Maximum.	Day of Month.	Minimum.	Day of Month.								N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	
RENFWREW*, The Meteorological Office.	40	29.601	29.646	44.2	37.0	40.6	+2.0	53	10th	22	31st	40.3	1.2	.225	89	per cent.	26	5.81	+2.54	2	7	10	8	8	11	7	4	5	
EDINBURGH, Professor R. A. SAMPSON, F.R.S., Royal Observatory.	441	29.182	29.671	44.2	36.7	40.5	+2.5	54	10th	29	17, 18	40.1	1.9	.210	83		20	2.67	+0.93	0	1	2	8	10	16	10	2	13	
DUNDEE, A. MACRAE, Curator of Cemeteries.	164	29.467	29.652	42.0	34.5	38.3	+1.2	53	11th	25	1st	38.0	0.7	.214	93		24	4.78	+2.83	0	12	0	14	0	28	0	8	0	
ABERDEEN*, The Meteorological Office.	90	29.541	29.643	42.9	37.1	40.0	+2.1	50	9th	28	31st	39.9	1.0	.226	91		24	3.24	+1.06	0	0	4	10	24	16	5	2	1	
PAISLEY, The Coats Observatory.	107	29.520	29.641	44.3	37.7	41.3	+2.2	53	10th	28	1, 31	41.2	1.5	.227	87		26	6.63	+2.69	1	5	8	4	13	13	4	2	12	
GREENOCK,† J. MACALISTER, A.M.Inst. C.E., Greenock Waterworks.	233	29.391	29.653	44.1	38.0	41.1	+2.7	52	10th	31	1st	40.7	1.7	.218	85		26	10.73	+3.89	0	3	14	9	8	16	7	3	2	
PERTH,† J. RITCHIE, The Museum.	22	29.618	29.643	43.4	32.8	38.6	+1.6	55	10th	22	1st	37.4	0.9	.206	91		26	5.00	+2.49	0	7	1	14	3	35	0	2	0	
Means	157	29.474	29.650	43.7	36.4	40.0	+2.0	..	..	..	..	39.7	1.3	.218	88		25	5.56	+2.35	0	5	6	10	9	19	5	3	5

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

FEBRUARY 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of February 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4206 living children, of whom 2071 were males, and 2135 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month that of males is 225 less, that of females 39 less, and that of children of both sexes 264 less. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 23·0 per thousand. This rate is 0·9 more than that of the previous month, but is 1·3 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 22·9 and varied from 28·4 in Ayr, 28·3 in Kilmarnock, and 27·6 in Greenock, to 15·8 in Kirkcaldy, 18·2 in Falkirk, 19·0 in Dunfermline, and 19·9 in Edinburgh. In Motherwell and Wishaw this rate was 25·0, in Hamilton 25·0, in Clydebank 24·3; in Glasgow 24·0, in Dundee 23·7, in Aberdeen 23·7, in Coatbridge 23·4, in Paisley 20·6, and in Perth 20·2.

Of the 4206 living children whose births were registered during the month, 3949, or 93·9 per cent., were legitimate, while 257, or 6·1 per cent., were illegitimate. Compared with the number in the previous month, the legitimate children of the month are 241 fewer, and the illegitimate children are 23 fewer. The illegitimate rate of the month is 0·2 less than that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate averaged 5·3 per cent. and varied from 12·2 in Aberdeen, 9·9 in Ayr, and 7·7 in Kilmarnock, to 0·0 in Falkirk, 1·7 in Dunfermline, and 2·5 in Coatbridge. In Glasgow this rate was 6·0 per cent., in Edinburgh 5·9, and in Dundee 5·2.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 1170, which number is 973 less than that of the previous month. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 6·4 per thousand, which rate is 4·2 less than that of the previous month, but is 0·2 more than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns this rate averaged 5·5, and varied from 9·1 in Perth, 8·4 in Ayr, 7·8 in Aberdeen, and 7·6 in Edinburgh, to 2·8 in Clydebank, 3·0 in Falkirk, and 3·5 in Dunfermline.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 2922, 1506 being of males and 1416 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence

outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 2774. The corrected number includes the deaths of 1420 males and 1354 females. The corrected number is 274 less than that of the previous month. The monthly death-rate, based on the corrected number of deaths, was 15·2 per thousand, which rate is 0·1 more than that of the previous month, but is 1·5 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly death-rate, based on the corrected number of deaths, averaged 13·7 per thousand, and varied from 18·4 in Kirkcaldy, 17·5 in Dundee, and 16·5 in Glasgow, to 9·2 in Dunfermline, 9·9 in Clydebank, 10·2 in Kilmarnock, and 11·2 in Motherwell and Wishaw. In Perth this rate was 15·5, in Edinburgh 15·0, in Falkirk 14·8, in Coatbridge 14·7, in Hamilton 14·5, in Paisley 13·7, in Aberdeen 13·2, in Greenock 12·8, and in Ayr 12·3.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 425, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 103 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths are 13 fewer than in the previous month. This rate is 7 more than that of the previous month, but is 18 less than the mean of those of the corresponding months of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly infantile mortality rate averaged 77, and varied from 128 in Aberdeen, 121 in Glasgow, 116 in Hamilton, and 109 in Dundee, to 33 in Falkirk, 35 in Dunfermline, and 45 in Coatbridge. In Paisley this rate was 107 per thousand, in Edinburgh 84, in Motherwell and Wishaw 84, in Kirkcaldy 81, in Perth 68, in Greenock 59, in Clydebank 59, in Ayr 51, and in Kilmarnock 49.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 258, and equalled a death-rate from these causes of 1·4 per thousand. These deaths collectively number 89 more than in the previous month, but 10 less than the mean of the numbers of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. These deaths include 2 from enteric fever, 153 from measles, 19 from scarlet fever, 27 from whooping-cough, 26 from diphtheria, and 31 from the diarrhoeas of childhood. Compared with the number in the previous month, deaths from diphtheria are 3 fewer, and from whooping-cough 1 fewer, but those from enteric fever are 1 more, from scarlet fever 4 more, from the diarrhoeas of childhood 8 more, and from measles 80 more.

Deaths from influenza numbered 35 in all. In January these deaths numbered 40, in December last 72, and in November 53.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 516, and equalled an annual death-rate of 2·8 per thousand. This death-rate is 0·1 less than that of the previous month, and 0·8 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 234, of which 161 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 13 more than that of the previous month, but is 37 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. The latter number is 5 less than that of the previous month, and is 32 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

FEBRUARY 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·706 in.; less than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·137 in.

Mean temperature, 41°·3; greater by 2°·9.

Mean daily range of temperature, 8°·1; less by 2°·1.

Rain, depth in inches, 4·69; greater by 1·86 in.

Wind, direction of: a 6 days' excess of winds from between S.E. and S.W.

Until 8th the pressure distribution over the British Isles was of a well-defined southerly type; from about 9th to 13th south-easterly winds prevailed, whilst during the latter half of the month winds were continuously from south-west or west, and the pressure gradient was at times very steep. At Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, the extremes were 30·54 in. on 28th and 29·24 in. on 1st.

The mild conditions which had set in about January 18th continued during the first week or so of February, but from 10th to 13th there was a brief incursion of wintry weather. On 14th a milder type was again in evidence, and towards the end of the month temperature was abnormally high. The extremes reported were 59° at Gordon Castle on 24th and 8° at Logie Coldstone on 12th. The month was, on the whole, the mildest February since 1920, and the nights were at times exceptionally mild.

Precipitation was decidedly below the normal in north-west and north, notably low in the Spey Valley, and slightly deficient in southern Ayrshire. In most other areas there was a decided excess, and this was most marked in and around Forfarshire. Thus Dundee had more than two and a half times the normal, and the month there was the wettest February since 1872. Except towards the north-west conditions were unsettled at first, with heavy to very heavy rains between 5th and 7th; at Craibstone, near Aberdeen, about three-fifths of the month's aggregate was accounted for during that period and nearly 2 in. fell on 6th. From 9th to 12th many areas were rainless, whilst in others snow fell. From 13th to 28th a rainy type of weather prevailed, with falls on every day in most southern and western districts—very heavy from 13th to 16th, on 20th and on 25th. At Fort William about half the month's aggregate was accounted for between 13th and 16th.

Wind force was frequently very high, notably about 6th and 7th, on 14th and on 25th and 26th. Moderate snow falls were experienced, chiefly in eastern and central districts, from 10th to 13th.

Thunderstorms occurred locally — near Mallaig on 15th and near Strachur on 16th.

There were a few very sunny days, but in general conditions were cloudy, especially in the east. Towards the north-west sunshine aggregates were slightly above the normal.

Aurora was observed at one or more points on as many as 12 occasions—frequently in Orkney and Shetland; at Aberdeen on 15th, 17th, 18th; as far south as Edinburgh on 11th, and as far south as Rothesay on 17th.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 16.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, FEBRUARY 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,034,174	1,034,500	956	952	1908	1794	114	537	707	649	1356	110	64	1310
EDINBURGH, . .	420,264	424,600	311	336	647	609	38	249	267	286	553	77	12	488
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	160	149	309	293	16	71	119	127	246	21	3	228
ABERDEEN, . .	158,963	157,600	133	153	286	251	35	94	84	86	170	30	19	159
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	64	73	137	130	7	36	58	39	97	6	0	91
GREENOCK, . .	81,123	81,700	73	100	173	161	12	27	47	36	83	5	2	80
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	68,869	70,900	74	62	136	129	7	21	22	27	49	0	12	61
CLYDEBANK, . .	46,601	46,200	44	42	86	82	4	10	13	14	27	0	8	35
COATBRIDGE, .	43,919	45,200	43	38	81	79	2	13	25	20	45	1	7	51
DUNFERMLINE, .	39,899	41,100	31	29	60	59	1	11	20	15	35	7	1	29
KIRKCALDY, . .	39,591	40,300	19	30	49	47	2	17	26	24	50	0	7	57
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	42	34	76	73	3	12	21	18	39	0	5	44
KILMARNOCK, .	35,911	35,900	43	35	78	72	6	17	18	18	36	10	2	28
AYR,	35,763	37,200	37	44	81	73	8	24	25	20	45	14	4	35
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	17	31	48	48	0	8	27	13	40	5	4	39
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	24	27	51	49	2	23	27	24	51	13	1	39
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,364,249	2,378,900	2071	2135	4206	3949	257	1170	1506	1416	2922	299	151	2774

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, FEBRUARY 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	24·0	6·0	6·8	17·1	16·5	2·4	1·3	0·9	3·4	236	121
EDINBURGH, . .	19·9	5·9	7·6	17·0	15·0	0·5	1·2	0·9	2·6	51	84
DUNDEE, . . .	23·7	5·2	5·4	18·8	17·5	0·7	1·7	1·2	1·9	31	109
ABERDEEN, . .	23·7	12·2	7·8	14·1	13·2	0·2	1·2	0·6	2·1	34	128
PAISLEY, . . .	20·6	5·1	5·4	14·6	13·7	2·0	1·1	0·6	2·9	16	107
GREENOCK, . .	27·6	6·9	4·3	13·3	12·8	0·3	1·9	1·6	2·4	9	59
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	25·0	5·1	3·9	9·0	11·2	1·1	0·7	0·4	2·9	11	84
CLYDEBANK, . .	24·3	4·7	2·8	7·6	9·9	0·6	1·7	1·7	0·8	5	59
COATBRIDGE, .	23·4	2·5	3·8	13·0	14·7	0·9	1·2	0·9	2·6	4	45
DUNFERMLINE, .	19·0	1·7	3·5	11·1	9·2	0·0	1·0	0·3	1·3	2	35
KIRKCALDY, . .	15·8	4·1	5·5	16·2	18·4	0·0	1·3	0·6	2·3	5	81
HAMILTON, . . .	25·0	3·9	3·9	12·8	14·5	1·0	1·0	0·3	3·3	10	116
KILMARNOCK, .	23·3	7·7	6·2	13·1	10·2	0·4	1·5	0·7	1·5	3	49
AYR,	28·4	9·9	8·4	15·8	12·3	0·4	0·7	0·7	2·8	3	51
FALKIRK, . . .	18·2	0·0	3·0	15·2	14·3	1·5	1·9	1·5	1·9	2	33
PERTH,	20·2	3·9	9·1	20·2	15·5	0·4	0·4	0·4	3·2	3	68
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	23·0	6·1	6·4	16·0	15·2	1·4	1·3	0·9	2·8	425	103

Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR FEBRUARY 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping- Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
FEB. 1926, .	23·0	6·1	6·4	15·2	2	0	153	19	27	26	31	103	41°·3
FEB. 1925, .	22·7	6·0	5·9	15·8	1	0	44	26	127	40	26	105	39°·2
FEB. 1924, .	25·0	6·1	5·4	18·8	1	0	160	16	110	34	27	156	39°·7
FEB. 1923, .	25·4	6·6	7·1	14·7	5	0	55	17	56	35	25	99	39°·7
FEB. 1922, .	27·6	6·8	7·1	24·2	0	0	237	16	105	33	51	172	38°·7
FEB. 1921, .	27·3	7·1	8·6	18·6	4	5	19	17	162	42	50	133	40°·9
FEB. 1920, .	33·9	7·9	9·4	15·3	0	0	46	10	21	38	32	129	42°·1
FEB. 1919, .	18·1	9·8	7·8	34·4	1	0	25	10	201	49	32	200	34°·5
FEB. 1918, .	19·6	8·1	7·9	14·5	3	0	63	4	79	29	32	110	42°·8
FEB. 1917, .	21·8	8·6	6·6	19·6	5	0	71	9	106	31	26	124	36°·5
FEB. 1916, .	22·9	7·4	8·2	16·0	6	0	125	45	14	60	31	100	37°·7

Figures in Columns 5-13 have been corrected for non-resident deaths.

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—February 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.													
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over.		
Enteric Fever - - - - -	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles - - - - -	153	79	74	51	96	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	19	10	9	-	12	3	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping-cough - - - - -	27	13	14	11	15	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria - - - - -	26	13	13	1	11	12	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Influenza - - - - -	35	13	22	1	-	1	-	2	1	4	4	8	7	5	2	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	6	1	5	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	5	4	1	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	10	6	4	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	3	2	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	161	83	78	1	4	1	1	34	56	24	22	15	3	-	-	-	-
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	32	18	14	6	18	3	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	15	7	8	2	4	1	2	1	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	26	15	11	1	3	2	3	3	6	1	3	1	3	-	-	-	-
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	212	96	116	-	-	-	-	1	4	16	43	58	65	20	5	-	-
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	5	2	3	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	14	9	5	1	5	2	1	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apoplexy - - - - -	215	96	119	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	21	53	68	62	8	-	-
Heart Disease - - - - -	309	156	153	1	-	3	2	9	13	11	37	65	100	59	9	-	-
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	57	35	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	13	20	13	6	-	-
Bronchitis - - - - -	192	108	84	18	9	-	-	1	4	6	14	31	53	43	13	-	-
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	287	165	122	81	49	4	3	7	17	17	30	28	30	17	4	-	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	37	15	22	1	7	2	-	1	2	3	4	5	6	3	3	-	-
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	31	17	14	24	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis - - - - -	22	12	10	-	2	6	1	6	2	2	1	-	2	-	-	-	-
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	20	6	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	3	5	5	2	-	-	-
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	60	31	29	-	1	2	-	2	4	5	19	18	5	4	-	-	-
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	9	-	9	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	6	7	7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	168	90	78	166	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suicide - - - - -	16	7	9	-	-	-	-	1	2	6	4	2	1	-	-	-	-
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	97	62	35	10	11	5	8	10	7	6	14	9	7	10	-	-	-
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	448	227	221	41	17	7	6	19	18	30	46	52	92	92	28	-	-
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	37	24	13	5	1	-	-	1	-	-	8	6	11	3	2	-	-
	2774	1420	1354	425	277	62	32	119	153	153	285	374	481	333	80	-	-

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—February 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	153	137	...	...	...	6	...	4	...
Scarlet Fever	19	11	3	2	...	2	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	27	19	...	1	...	4	...	...	2
Diphtheria	26	10	6	6	...	...	...	...	...
Influenza	35	11	15	...	3	2	...	1	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	6	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	5	3	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	10	4	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	161	70	30	16	7	4	10	2	6
Tuberculous Meningitis	32	17	3	3	2	1	1	2	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	15	6	2	...	2	...	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	26	10	5	3	3	2	1	...	...
Malignant Tumours	212	80	47	25	10	10	4	4	3
Rheumatic Fever	5	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	14	5	3	...	...	...	1	1	2
Apoplexy	215	91	47	20	19	2	4	1	3
Heart Disease	309	116	76	24	22	14	9	4	4
Diseases of Arteries	57	21	14	6	6	1	3	1	...
Bronchitis	192	103	30	12	7	6	8	8	...
Pneumonia (all forms)	287	154	50	11	15	12	6	6	3
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	37	16	5	2	3	1	1	2	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	31	17	6	...	2	1	2	2	...
Appendicitis	22	9	3	2	1	...	1	...	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	20	6	6	2	...	...	1	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	60	34	7	7	2	1	2	1	1
Puerperal Sepsis	9	7	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	21	9	2	3	2	2	1	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	168	78	20	22	16	4	7	4	4
Suicide	16	5	3	4	...	...	1	1	...
Other Violent Deaths	97	46	14	10	6	3	3	4	1
Other Defined Diseases	448	192	82	41	27	13	11	13	5
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	37	18	...	4	2	...	3	...	...
All Causes	2774	1310	488	228	159	91	80	61	35
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	425	236	51	31	34	16	9	11	5
1-4	277	181	24	13	9	10	10	9	2
5-9	62	32	6	6	1	2	1	2	1
10-14	32	19	2	2	1	1	...	3	...
15-24	119	51	22	12	2	5	9	1	3
25-34	153	66	31	8	9	6	3	4	2
35-44	153	71	31	13	9	5	5	1	5
45-54	285	133	46	30	15	5	12	3	4
55-64	374	172	67	31	22	12	11	8	4
65-74	481	200	104	42	22	16	10	13	7
75-84	333	123	83	29	27	11	8	6	2
85 and over	80	26	21	11	8	2	2	...	...
All Ages	2774	1310	488	228	159	91	80	61	35

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—February 1926—*continued.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	2	...	...	3	...	...	...	1
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...
Influenza... ..	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	1
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	3	1	2	1	2	2	4	1
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	1	...	1	1	2	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Malignant Tumours	6	3	8	2	1	5	1	3
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...
Apoplexy	1	2	4	4	6	5	3	3
Heart Disease	7	3	9	4	5	2	3	7
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	3
Bronchitis	1	1	3	1	1	4	2	5
Pneumonia (all forms)	6	3	2	8	3	4	2	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	2	...	2	1	...	...	1	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	1
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	1	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition ... ..	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	2	2	3	3	1	1	1	...
Suicide	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	3	...	3	2	...	1	1	...
Other Defined Diseases	10	6	14	7	3	7	10	7
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	1	...	1	3	...	1	2	2
All Causes	51	29	57	44	28	35	39	39
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	4	2	5	10	3	3	2	3
1- 4	6	2	2	2	2	...	2	3
5- 9	2	1	...	...	1	1	6	...
10-14 ... ..	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	...
15-24	3	2	2	2	1	2	1	1
25-34	4	2	6	3	3	3	2	1
35-44	5	...	3	1	1	1	2	...
45-54	8	3	5	5	5	2	6	3
55-64	6	6	7	7	4	6	4	7
65-74	9	2	15	6	6	10	8	11
75-84	3	6	9	6	2	5	5	8
85 and over	1	1	3	1	...	1	1	2
All Ages	51	29	57	44	28	35	39	39

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of FEBRUARY 1926.

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North Latitude. — Renfrew, 55° 32'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 56° 28'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude. — Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 2° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

MARCH 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of March 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4907 living children, of whom 2501 were males, and 2406 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month that of males is 430 more, of females 271 more, and that of children of both sexes 701 more.

The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 24·3 per thousand. This rate is 1·3 more than that of the previous month, and 0·7 more than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 24·2 and varied from 31·9 in Clydebank, 26·9 in Dundee, and 26·1 in Greenock and in Coatbridge, to 17·5 in Dunfermline, 21·1 in Perth, 21·2 in Edinburgh and 21·9 in Falkirk. In Hamilton this rate was 25·5, in Glasgow 25·2, in Motherwell and Wishaw 25·2, in Kirkealdy 25·1, in Kilmarnock 23·3, in Paisley 23·2, in Aberdeen 23·1, and in Ayr 23·1.

Of the 4907 living children whose births were registered during the month, 4640, or 94·6 per cent., were legitimate, while 267, or 5·4 per cent., were illegitimate. Compared with the number registered in the previous month, the legitimate children of the month are 691 more, and the illegitimate children 10 more. The illegitimate rate of the month is 0·7 less than that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate averaged 5·6 per cent., and varied from 15·3 per cent. in Perth, 11·0 in Aberdeen, and 7·0 in Kilmarnock, to 1·2 in Kirkealdy, 2·4 in Clydebank, and 3·1 in Falkirk. In Glasgow this rate was 4·8 per cent., in Edinburgh 5·7, and in Dundee 5·7.

Marriages registered during the month numbered 1205, which number is 35 more than in the previous month. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 6·0 per thousand, which rate is 0·4 less than that of the previous month, and 0·5 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly marriage-rates averaged 5·4, and varied from 8·6 in Ayr, 7·7 in Aberdeen, and 6·8 in Perth, to 3·6 in Clydebank, 3·6 in Hamilton, and 3·9 in Dundee. In Glasgow this rate was 6·4 and in Edinburgh 6·5.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 3650, 1857 being of males and 1793 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence

outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths of the month is found to be 3518. The corrected number includes the deaths of 1780 males and 1738 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 17·4 per thousand, which rate is 2·2 more than that of the previous month, but is 0·6 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly death-rate, based on the corrected number of deaths, averaged 14·0, and varied from 20·5 in Glasgow, 18·0 in Coatbridge, and 17·7 in Edinburgh, to 9·1 in Kirkcaldy, 11·1 in Ayr, 11·3 in Hamilton and 11·8 in Motherwell and Wishaw, in Dunfermline and in Perth. In Kilmarnock the monthly death-rate was 15·7, in Paisley 15·3, in Dundee 14·8, in Greenock 14·6, in Aberdeen 14·5, in Falkirk 13·7, and in Clydebank 13·0.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 549, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 119 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths collectively number 124 more than in the previous month. This rate is 16 more than that of the previous month, but is 10 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month in the three preceding years. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate ranged from 147 in Greenock, 144 in Paisley, 143 in Glasgow, and 121 in Edinburgh, to 14 in Kirkcaldy, 15 in Falkirk, 40 in Perth, and 59 in Kilmarnock. In Aberdeen this rate was 108, in Coatbridge 101, in Motherwell and Wishaw 90, in Ayr 90, in Dunfermline 81, in Hamilton 73, in Dundee 65, and in Clydebank 62.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 306, and equalled a death-rate of 1·5 per thousand. These deaths collectively number 48 more than in the previous month, but 4 less than the mean of the numbers of the corresponding month in the preceding three years. These deaths include 158 from measles, 30 from scarlet fever, 42 from whooping-cough, 41 from diphtheria, and 35 from the diarrhoeas of childhood. Compared with the number in the previous month, deaths from whooping-cough and diphtheria are both 15 more, from scarlet fever 11 more, from measles 5 more, and from the diarrhoeas of childhood 4 more. During the month no deaths from enteric fever were recorded. In the previous month such deaths numbered 2.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 100. In February these deaths numbered 35, in January 40, and in December last 72.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 771, and equalled an annual death-rate of 3·8 per thousand. This death-rate is 1·0 more than in the previous month, but is 0·4 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 274, of which 190 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 40 more than in the previous month, but 34 less than the mean of the numbers in the corresponding month of the three preceding years. The latter number is 29 more than in the previous month, but 33 less than the mean of the numbers of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

MARCH 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·921 in.; greater than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·120 in.

Mean temperature, 43°·0; greater by 2°·7.

Mean daily range of temperature, 9°·7; less by 1°·9.

Rain, depth in inches, 2·56; less by 0·23 in.

Wind, direction of: a 5 days' excess of winds from S.W. and W.

Until about 13th pressure distribution over the British Isles was mainly of a stormy south-westerly to westerly type. By 15th an anticyclone had begun to spread northwards over England and Scotland, gradually moving to Scandinavia, with easterly winds; but towards the end of the month south-westerly winds were again in evidence. At Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, the pressure extremes were 30·43 in. on 20th and 29·25 in. on 4th.

During the early part of the month very mild weather was interrupted by sharp drops of temperature, on 4th and again on 9th, with shifts of the wind to a north-westerly point. Thus at Aberdeen a maximum of 61° on 2nd compared with only 39° on 4th, and 60° on 8th with only 40° on 9th. During the spell of easterly winds temperature was moderate, though in general above the normal except from 23rd to 25th, with mild conditions again from 27th onwards. The mean for the month was considerably above the normal, and the nights were at times exceptionally mild. The extremes reported were 61° at Aberdeen on 2nd, and 18° at Wolfelee on 5th.

From 1st to 8th rainfall was moderate in the east; but very heavy towards west and north-west, especially on 7th and 8th. Over considerable areas from Loch Fyne to Loch Carron the aggregate rainfall of these two days exceeded 3 or 4 inches, and in the Lochaber district Kinlochquoich had 4·26 in. on 7th followed by 2·49 in. on 8th. After moderate to trifling falls during the next three or four days a spell of very fine weather was experienced in west and south, and wide areas were rainless, or all but so, from 14th to 27th. In the east during this period some moderate falls occurred, and on 28th conditions had become generally unsettled. In east and south the month's rainfall was decidedly deficient; but elsewhere there was a well-marked excess, though within the wettest areas amounts were as a rule less than those recorded in March 1921.

The first ten days, and notably 4th and 8th, were of a stormy character, and the heavy rains of 7th and 8th caused flooding in various areas and landslides in Glencroe and near Invergarry. On 12th serious sand drifts blocked the railway line between Hopeman and Burghead in Morayshire. Snow fell rather widely on 4th and 9th, and in some districts on 22nd.

Thunderstorms were experienced here and there between 3rd and 6th; rather widely on 9th; and here and there from 27th onwards.

Sunshine aggregates were below the normal, especially along the east coast.

Aurora was frequently observed at one or more points on as many as 15 nights—and a brilliant display on 9th was witnessed as far south as the Channel Islands.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 24.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, MARCH 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,034,174	1,034,500	1166	1048	2214	2107	107	560	952	903	1855	122	69	1802
EDINBURGH. . .	420,264	424,600	378	388	766	722	44	236	355	338	693	73	17	637
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	190	199	389	367	22	56	99	128	227	17	4	214
ABERDEEN, . .	158,963	157,600	157	152	309	275	34	103	93	100	193	30	31	194
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	84	87	171	160	11	34	64	55	119	10	4	113
GREENOCK, . .	81,123	81,700	88	93	181	174	7	29	57	47	104	7	4	101
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	68,869	70,900	70	82	152	146	6	26	38	28	66	2	7	71
CLYDEBANK, . .	46,601	46,200	48	77	125	122	3	14	19	15	34	1	18	51
COATBRIDGE, .	43,919	45,200	52	48	100	95	5	18	36	30	66	1	4	69
DUNFERMLINE, .	39,899	41,100	33	28	61	58	3	16	16	27	43	4	2	41
KIRKCALDY, . .	39,591	40,300	48	38	86	85	1	22	14	19	33	6	4	31
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	45	41	86	81	5	12	15	16	31	2	9	38
KILMARNOCK, .	35,911	35,900	41	30	71	66	5	17	25	26	51	11	8	48
AYR,	35,763	37,200	33	35	73	70	3	27	22	21	43	16	8	35
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	37	27	64	62	2	16	27	18	45	7	2	40
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	26	33	59	50	9	19	25	22	47	14	0	33
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,364,249	2,378,900	2501	2408	4907	4640	267	1205	1857	1793	3650	323	191	3518

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, MARCH 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	25·2	4·8	6·4	21·1	20·5	2·1	1·5	1·0	5·2	310	143
EDINBURGH, . .	21·2	5·7	6·5	19·2	17·7	0·6	1·5	1·1	3·4	82	121
DUNDEE, . . .	26·9	5·7	3·9	15·7	14·8	1·0	1·1	0·9	3·1	21	65
ABERDEEN, . .	23·1	11·0	7·7	14·4	14·5	0·5	1·6	1·1	2·0	32	108
PAISLEY, . . .	23·2	6·4	4·6	16·2	15·3	3·8	1·0	0·5	2·6	24	144
GREENOCK, . .	26·1	3·9	4·2	15·0	14·6	0·0	1·3	1·0	3·0	25	147
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	25·2	3·9	4·3	11·0	11·8	1·2	0·5	0·3	2·5	13	90
CLYDEBANK, . .	31·9	2·4	3·6	8·7	13·0	0·5	1·3	0·5	1·5	6	62
COATBRIDGE, .	26·1	5·0	4·7	17·2	18·0	3·6	1·3	0·3	3·9	10	101
DUNFERMLINE, .	17·5	4·9	4·6	12·3	11·8	0·6	0·9	0·3	2·0	5	81
KIRKCALDY, . .	25·1	1·2	6·4	9·6	9·1	0·0	0·6	0·3	0·6	1	14
HAMILTON, . . .	25·5	5·8	3·6	9·2	11·3	1·8	1·2	0·9	1·5	7	73
KILMARNOCK, .	23·3	7·0	5·6	16·7	15·7	2·0	2·0	1·6	1·6	4	59
AYR,	23·1	4·1	8·6	13·6	11·1	0·6	1·0	1·0	1·3	6	90
FALKIRK, . . .	21·9	3·1	5·5	15·4	13·7	1·7	0·3	0·3	4·5	1	15
PERTH,	21·1	15·3	6·8	16·8	11·8	1·1	0·7	0·4	2·1	2	40
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	24·3	5·4	6·0	18·1	17·4	1·5	1·4	0·9	3·8	549	119

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR MARCH 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
MAR. 1926, .	24·3	5·4	6·0	17·4	0	0	158	30	42	41	35	119	43°·0
MAR. 1925, .	22·5	6·4	6·3	15·2	2	0	37	30	147	50	29	108	41°·1
MAR. 1924, .	23·4	6·5	6·6	23·3	1	0	166	18	196	21	30	172	37°·7
MAR. 1923, .	24·8	6·8	6·2	14·6	0	0	57	18	69	31	28	94	42°·7
MAR. 1922, .	27·6	6·9	6·5	17·1	2	0	316	9	77	22	45	125	40°·6
MAR. 1921, .	27·0	7·6	9·2	17·9	4	0	29	17	205	39	52	114	42°·6
MAR. 1920, .	35·7	7·2	10·7	18·7	8	3	94	15	30	41	52	146	42°·7
MAR. 1919, .	18·8	10·3	8·9	27·0	5	0	59	8	225	39	37	187	36°·2
MAR. 1918, .	19·3	8·1	7·9	14·6	5	0	63	4	96	27	30	101	41°·4
MAR. 1917, .	21·8	7·9	6·0	17·8	3	0	88	7	181	38	44	131	37°·4
MAR. 1916, .	25·6	6·9	7·1	19·7	9	0	177	36	27	51	56	129	36°·9

Figures in Columns 5-13 have been corrected for non-resident deaths.

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—March 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.												85 & over.
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-		
Enteric Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Measles - - - - -	158	74	84	43	112	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	30	16	14	2	14	9	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Whooping-cough - - - - -	42	22	20	15	26	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diphtheria - - - - -	41	20	21	6	29	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Influenza - - - - -	100	42	58	5	6	4	-	2	6	16	10	18	13	18	2	
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	9	6	3	2	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	1	2	-	-	
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	12	8	4	5	3	2	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	18	9	9	4	1	-	-	2	2	1	2	4	2	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	190	108	82	-	1	4	3	41	43	40	34	14	10	-	-	
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	35	19	16	9	19	-	2	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	16	9	7	1	5	2	4	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	33	13	20	2	3	4	-	6	5	1	5	6	1	-	-	
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	299	139	160	-	-	-	-	2	10	18	64	82	81	40	2	
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	11	1	10	-	-	-	2	5	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	12	9	3	4	1	4	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	
Apoplexy - - - - -	261	120	141	-	-	-	-	1	4	9	20	63	91	61	12	
Heart Disease - - - - -	352	167	185	1	3	3	6	9	16	26	47	76	94	65	6	
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	38	25	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	5	8	14	4	
Bronchitis - - - - -	275	137	138	25	9	-	-	-	2	9	24	44	90	59	13	
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	459	236	223	121	108	4	7	16	16	34	35	34	37	36	11	
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	37	20	17	5	2	-	1	-	1	1	3	4	9	10	1	
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	35	13	22	32	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appendicitis - - - - -	29	14	15	-	-	4	3	8	4	3	2	4	1	-	-	
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	28	9	19	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	3	12	4	5	-	
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	94	58	36	2	-	1	1	3	9	11	13	22	26	6	-	
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	27	-	27	-	-	-	-	6	14	7	-	-	-	-	-	
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	221	138	83	216	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suicide - - - - -	19	17	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	6	1	3	-	-	
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	84	58	26	10	11	6	4	6	6	6	15	11	5	2	2	
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	485	234	251	34	15	5	5	20	16	49	41	67	78	111	44	
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	63	39	24	5	2	2	1	-	-	1	9	11	19	11	2	
	3518	1780	1738	549	377	62	42	135	168	249	344	481	574	438	99	

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)-- March 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.					Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	158	121	...	...	...	12	...	2	1
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	30	8	6	3	2	5	...	1	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	42	27	1	1	1	7	...	1	1
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	41	19	5	8	1	...	...	2	...
Influenza ... ..	...	...	...	...	100	61	27	...	2	4	...	1	...
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	9	3	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	12	6	3	1	...	1	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	18	12	4	...	1	...	...	1	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	190	92	39	13	15	4	7	2	2
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	35	17	7	1	4	2	...	...	1
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	...	16	5	3	...	3	...	2	1	1
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	33	17	6	2	...	1	...	...	1
Malignant Tumours ... ..	...	...	...	...	299	133	58	28	22	8	12	5	3
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	11	1	4	...	...	...	2	...	2
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	12	8	...	...	...	...	3	...	...
Apoplexy ... ..	...	...	...	...	261	115	62	18	19	4	6	5	3
Heart Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	352	168	60	32	26	5	10	4	7
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	...	...	38	10	12	2	6	2	1	1	1
Bronchitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	275	151	48	12	9	10	11	7	...
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..	...	...	...	...	459	297	63	31	14	9	8	7	6
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	37	12	10	2	4	...	2	1	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	...	35	13	10	2	3	4	...	1	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	29	15	2	2	1	2	...	...	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	...	...	28	6	11	5	...	...	...	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic ... ..	...	...	...	...	94	47	24	2	7	1	2	1	2
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	5	1	2	1	...	...	...	1	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition ... ..	...	...	...	...	27	16	5	...	1	...	2	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	...	...	...	...	221	113	39	10	11	7	15	8	3
Suicide ... ..	...	...	...	...	19	11	6	1	...	1	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths ... ..	...	...	...	...	84	36	13	6	9	1	2	1	5
Other Defined Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	485	227	94	27	30	21	13	15	10
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown ... ..	...	...	...	...	63	34	8	4	3	2	3	3	1
All Causes ... ..	...	...	...	...	3518	1802	637	214	194	113	101	71	51
AGE AT DEATH.													
Under 1 ... ..	...	...	...	...	549	310	82	21	32	24	25	13	6
1-4 ... ..	...	...	...	...	377	245	33	16	9	20	3	11	3
5-9 ... ..	...	...	...	...	62	32	7	4	3	2	2	2	2
10-14 ... ..	...	...	...	...	42	18	8	2	4	1	4	1	1
15-24 ... ..	...	...	...	...	135	72	24	7	8	2	5	2	1
25-34 ... ..	...	...	...	...	168	87	33	7	12	3	4	2	3
35-44 ... ..	...	...	...	...	249	133	45	17	11	7	7	...	6
45-54 ... ..	...	...	...	...	344	186	62	18	17	10	13	7	9
55-64 ... ..	...	...	...	...	481	232	80	33	29	14	10	12	11
65-74 ... ..	...	...	...	...	574	270	130	43	22	15	15	14	3
75-84 ... ..	...	...	...	...	438	175	108	39	41	14	10	7	3
85 and over ... ..	...	...	...	...	99	42	25	7	6	1	3	...	3
All Ages ... ..	...	...	...	...	3518	1802	637	214	194	113	101	71	51

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—March 1926—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	11	...	...	4	3	1	1	2
Scarlet Fever	3	...	...	...	2	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	2	...	...	1	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	1
Influenza... ..	1	...	...	2	...	1	...	1
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	1	1	1	3	5	3	1	1
Tuberculous Meningitis	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	3	...	1	...	1	...	...	1
Malignant Tumours	3	3	5	3	5	5	2	4
Rheumatic Fever	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Apoplexy	2	6	6	1	6	4	2	2
Heart Disease	4	5	8	3	6	5	4	5
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1
Bronchitis	6	3	1	2	1	2	9	3
Pneumonia (all forms)	9	2	...	3	2	2	3	3
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	2	1	...	2	...	1	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
Appendicitis	1	2	...	...	...	...	1	2
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	2	...	1	...	...	2	1	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	2	1	...	1	1	...	2	1
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	4	1	1	5	1	2	...	1
Suicide ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	4	1	1	3	2	...	...	...
Other Defined Diseases	8	9	3	4	6	5	8	5
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	2	...	1	...	...	1	1	...
All Causes	69	41	31	38	48	35	40	33
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	10	5	1	7	4	6	1	2
1-4	13	1	2	8	5	...	5	3
5-9	3	...	...	...	2	...	3	...
10-14	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
15-24	2	1	3	3	3	1	1	...
25-34	6	1	...	1	4	2	1	2
35-44	3	4	...	3	4	5	2	2
45-54	5	1	2	3	3	2	5	1
55-64	13	9	4	5	8	9	4	8
65-74	8	8	10	4	9	4	12	7
75-84	5	4	7	2	5	5	6	7
85 and over ... ..	...	6	2	1	1	1	...	1
All Ages	69	41	31	38	48	35	40	33

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of MARCH 1926.

OBSERVERS.	Height of Station above Sea-level.	BARO- METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRE- CIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.															
		Mean at Station and 32°.	Mean at Sea-Level and 32°.	Mean of	Absolute Maximum and Minimum.			Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Mean of A and B (Mean Tem- perature).	Minimum (A).	Minimum (B.)	Dry Bulb.	Depression of Wet Bulb.	Vapour Pressure.	Humidity.	Number of Days.	Total Fall.	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.												
					Maximum.	Day of Month.	Minimum.												Day of Month.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.			
RENFREW*, The Meteorological Office.	40	29.892	29.937	48.1	38.0	43.1	+2.5	°	55	15th	23	25th	42.1	1.9	.228	85	per cent.	inch.	inch.	16	2.91	+0.24	0	10	8	1	1	11	21	3	4
EDINBURGH, Professor R. A. SAMPSON, F.R.S., Royal Observatory.	441	29.458	29.947	46.2	37.1	41.7	+1.8	°	54	1, 8	29	4th	41.1	2.1	.214	83	°	.214	inch.	20	1.57	-0.22	0	4	11	3	2	4	27	4	7
DUNDEE, A. MACRAE, Curator of Cemeteries.	164	29.719	29.902	48.3	36.9	42.6	+2.8	°	58	13th	31	4th	41.3	1.8	.223	86	°	.223	inch.	16	1.17	-0.89	0	10	0	12	0	39	0	10	0
ABERDEEN*, The Meteorological Office.	90	29.766	29.868	48.9	38.9	43.9	+3.8	°	61	2nd	31	5th	42.4	2.7	.216	80	°	.216	inch.	15	0.99	-1.42	5	0	3	7	8	12	16	8	3
PAISLEY, The Coats Observatory.	107	29.831	29.951	48.6	39.7	44.1	+2.3	°	55	15th	31	25th	43.1	2.1	.233	83	°	.233	inch.	18	3.66	+0.48	0	6	13	1	2	13	17	5	5
GREENOCK,† J. MACALISTER, A.M.Inst. C.E., Greenock Waterworks.	233	29.678	29.939	46.6	39.3	42.9	+2.8	°	52	11th	31	5, 25	42.3	2.2	.224	84	°	.224	inch.	18	6.13	+1.20	0	3	18	0	2	16	23	0	0
PERTH,† J. RITCHIE, The Museum.	22	29.879	29.904	48.7	37.4	43.1	+3.0	°	59	13th	30	4, 5, 16	42.8	2.1	.231	84	°	.231	inch.	17	1.49	-1.06	2	0	8	12	2	20	18	0	0
Means	157	29.746	29.921	47.9	38.2	43.0	+2.7	°	57	..	..	..	42.2	2.1	.224	84	°	.224	inch.	17	2.56	-0.23	1	5	9	5	2	15	18	4	3

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 8° 11', Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 3° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 28'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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Births, Deaths, and Marriages

IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

APRIL 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of April 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4841 living children, of whom 2526 were males, and 2315 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month that of males is 25 more but that of females is 91 fewer, and that of children of both sexes is 66 fewer.

The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 24·8 per thousand. This rate is 0·5 more than that of the previous month, but is the same as the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 24·2 and varied from 29·1 in Coatbridge, and 28·8 in Hamilton and in Kilmarnock, to 17·4 in Perth, 18·3 in Ayr, and 20·7 in Dunfermline. In Greenock this rate was 27·7, in Glasgow 26·3, in Kirkealdy 25·6, in Motherwell and Wishaw 25·2, in Aberdeen 24·8, in Paisley 24·3, in Clydebank 23·5, in Falkirk 22·3, in Edinburgh 22·1, and in Dundee 21·8.

Of the 4841 living children whose births were registered during the month, 4550, or 94·0 per cent., were legitimate, while 291, or 6·0 per cent., were illegitimate. Compared with the number in the previous month, the legitimate children of the month are 90 fewer, but the illegitimate children are 24 more. The illegitimate rate of the month is 0·6 more than that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate averaged 5·9 and varied from 10·6 per cent. in Kirkcaldy, 8·7 in Paisley, 8·5 in Hamilton and 8·3 in Edinburgh, to 0 in Ayr, 2·1 in Perth, and 3·4 in Clydebank. In Glasgow this rate was 5·4, in Dundee 5·9, and in Aberdeen 5·0.

Marriages registered in those towns during the month numbered 1642, which number is 437 more than that of March. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 8·4 per thousand, which rate is 2·4 more than that of the previous month, but is 1·5 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly marriage-rate averaged 7·2, and varied from 11·8 in Perth, 9·5 in Dundee, 9·4 in Glasgow, and 8·6 in Edinburgh, to 3·2 in Clydebank, 3·6 in Motherwell and Wishaw and 4·6 in Ayr.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 3927, 2018 being of males and 1909 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in

Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths of the month is found to be 3785. This corrected number includes the deaths of 1922 males and 1863 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 19·4 per thousand, which rate is 2·0 more than that of the previous month, and 3·4 more than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the preceding three years. In the individual towns the monthly death-rate averaged 17·9, and varied from 25·6 in Greenock, 23·7 in Paisley, and 22·0 in Glasgow, to 12·0 in Falkirk, 14·3 in Edinburgh, and 14·4 in Ayr. In Hamilton this rate was 21·8, in Coatbridge 19·9, in Dundee 18·9, in Aberdeen 18·0, in Motherwell and Wishaw 17·5, in Perth 16·6, in Kilmarnock 15·9, in Clydebank 15·8, in Dunfermline 15·4, and in Kirkcaldy, 15·1.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 551, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 123 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths collectively number 2 more than in the previous month. This rate is 4 more than in the previous month, and is 15 more than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate ranged from 252 in Paisley, where measles and whooping-cough were epidemic, 152 in Hamilton, 146 in Greenock, and 141 in Glasgow, to 42 in Perth, 63 in Ayr, 74 in Kilmarnock, and 75 in Clydebank and in Kirkcaldy. In Aberdeen this rate was 118, in Coatbridge 115, in Dunfermline 100, in Dundee 93, in Motherwell and Wishaw 93, in Edinburgh 83, and in Falkirk 78.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 298, and equalled a death-rate of 1·5 per thousand. These deaths collectively number 8 fewer than in the previous month, but 11 more than the mean of the numbers of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. These 298 deaths include 138 from measles, 59 from whooping-cough, 41 from diphtheria, 33 from the diarrhœas of childhood, 25 from scarlet fever, and 2 from enteric fever. Compared with the number in the previous month, deaths from whooping cough are 17 more, and from enteric fever 2 more, while those from diphtheria number the same, and those from the diarrhœas of childhood are 2 fewer, from scarlet fever 5 fewer, and from measles 20 fewer.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 330. In March these deaths numbered 100, in February 35, and in January 40.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 895, and equalled a death-rate of 4·6 per thousand. This death-rate is 0·8 more than that of the previous month, and 1·6 more than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 299, of which 207 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 25 more than that of the previous month, but 11 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years. The latter number is 17 more than in the previous month, but is 10 less than the mean of the numbers of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

APRIL 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·809 in.; less than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·081 in.

Mean temperature, 47°·0; greater by 2°·5.

Mean daily range of temperature, 13°·5; less by 0°·5.

Rain, depth in inches, 2·32; greater by 0·21 in.

Wind, direction of: a 3 days' excess of winds from S. and S.W.

Light southerly breezes prevailed at first, followed by quiet anticyclonic conditions from about 9th to 13th. With the approach of a depression from the Atlantic on 14th, unsettled weather became general, and from 19th onwards, with high pressure areas over the Arctic regions or Scandinavia, there were persistent winds from north-east or east. At Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, the extremes were 30·25 in. on 5th and 29·27 in. on 18th.

The mild conditions which had set in on 27th March were on the whole maintained throughout nearly the first three weeks of April, though during the anticyclonic period sharp frost occurred. On 2nd and from 4th to 8th temperature was decidedly high. As the easterly type of weather developed colder conditions set in, and from 26th to 30th the days were very cold and the range of temperature notably small. The mean temperature of the month was the highest recorded in April since 1914, and the extremes reported were 68° at Gordon Castle on 5th and at Achnashellach on 6th, and 23° at Wolfelee on 12th.

From 1st to 13th the only rains of importance occurred on 3rd and 8th, and the last few days of the period were everywhere fine. On 14th heavy rains spread from the west and considerable areas had more than 1 in. on that day (1·62 in. at Langholm); but there was a speedy improvement in western districts, and towards the south-west there were only one or two trifling falls during the last two weeks of the month. In the east, on the other hand, many places had rain on every day from 14th onwards, though frequently the falls were very small. In general, aggregates were appreciably above the normal in eastern districts, but deficient in west and south. At some places fully half the month's rainfall was accounted for on 14th and 15th.

Wind force was as a rule moderate though high around 15th. Sleet occurred around 16th, and snow at high levels on 23rd and 24th.

Thunderstorms were experienced here and there from 2nd to 4th, and from 17th to 22nd—on 17th along the north-east coast, on 19th at Edinburgh and towards the Borders, and on 20th in the Clyde area and the south of Scotland.

There was much sunshine during the anticyclonic period, but from 26th to 30th the sky was continuously cloudy on the east coast. In the east sunshine aggregates for the month were decidedly below the normal.

Aurora was observed rather widely on 7th, and auroral "glows" in Shetland on every night from 8th to 13th, and on 15th and 16th.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 32.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, APRIL 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,034,174	1,034,500	1192	1047	2239	2119	120	797	1001	920	1921	137	85	1869
EDINBURGH, . .	420,264	424,600	396	377	773	709	64	301	278	278	556	75	17	498
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	157	143	305	287	18	133	136	138	274	14	5	265
ABERDEEN, . .	158,963	157,600	153	168	321	305	16	95	132	119	251	38	20	233
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	87	86	173	158	15	58	106	71	177	15	7	169
GREENOCK, . .	81,123	81,700	99	87	186	177	9	43	90	90	180	10	2	172
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	68,869	70,900	78	69	147	141	6	21	48	42	90	3	15	102
CLYDEBANK, . .	46,601	46,200	47	42	89	86	3	12	19	23	47	0	13	60
COATBRIDGE, . .	43,919	45,200	52	56	108	101	7	26	33	33	66	2	10	74
DUNFERMLINE, .	39,899	41,100	44	26	70	65	5	24	24	23	52	4	4	52
KIRKCALDY, . .	39,591	40,300	44	41	85	76	9	27	26	24	50	3	3	50
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	56	38	94	86	8	18	32	36	68	2	5	71
KILMARNOCK, . .	35,911	35,900	45	40	85	79	6	22	21	34	55	11	3	47
AYR,	35,763	37,200	25	31	56	56	0	14	23	27	50	9	3	44
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	29	34	63	59	4	19	24	13	37	7	4	34
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	22	25	47	46	1	32	25	28	53	9	1	45
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,364,249	2,378,900	2526	2315	4841	4550	291	1642	2018	1909	3927	339	197	3785

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, APRIL 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	26·3	5·4	9·4	22·6	22·0	1·9	1·6	1·2	6·4	296	141
EDINBURGH, . .	22·1	8·3	8·6	15·9	14·3	0·6	1·8	1·2	1·6	55	83
DUNDEE, . . .	21·8	5·9	9·5	19·6	18·9	1·1	1·4	1·0	4·0	29	93
ABERDEEN, . .	24·8	5·0	7·3	19·4	18·0	1·0	1·6	0·9	2·8	34	118
PAISLEY, . . .	24·3	8·7	8·1	24·8	23·7	4·1	2·0	1·3	6·0	41	252
GREENOCK, . .	27·7	4·8	6·4	26·8	25·6	3·1	2·1	1·3	6·6	24	146
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	25·2	4·1	3·6	15·4	17·5	1·4	0·9	0·3	5·5	13	93
CLYDEBANK, . .	23·5	3·4	3·2	12·4	15·8	0·0	1·6	1·3	2·6	7	75
COATBRIDGE, . .	29·1	6·5	7·0	17·8	19·9	1·9	1·1	1·1	4·8	11	115
DUNFERMLINE, .	20·7	7·1	7·1	15·4	15·4	0·3	1·2	0·6	2·4	6	100
KIRKCALDY, . .	25·6	10·6	8·1	15·1	15·1	0·9	1·2	1·2	2·7	5	75
HAMILTON, . . .	28·8	8·5	5·5	20·9	21·8	1·8	1·5	0·9	4·9	14	152
KILMARNOCK, . .	28·8	7·1	7·5	18·6	15·9	1·4	0·7	0·7	4·4	5	74
AYR,	18·3	0·0	4·6	16·4	14·4	2·3	0·3	0·3	1·6	4	63
FALKIRK, . . .	22·3	6·3	6·7	13·1	12·0	0·7	0·7	0·0	0·7	5	78
PERTH,	17·4	2·1	11·8	19·6	16·6	0·7	0·7	0·4	1·8	2	42
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	24·8	6·0	8·4	20·1	19·4	1·5	1·5	1·1	4·6	551	123

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR APRIL 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
APR. 1926, .	24·8	6·0	8·4	19·4	2	0	138	25	59	41	33	123	47°·0
APR. 1925, .	24·0	6·5	9·2	15·0	2	0	30	22	151	19	33	109	48°·5
APR. 1924, .	23·8	6·5	8·8	17·8	1	0	150	21	135	18	41	130	43°·7
APR. 1923, .	26·4	6·2	11·2	14·5	3	0	66	26	81	31	30	92	42°·9
APR. 1922, .	26·2	7·0	9·5	18·1	1	0	505	8	83	27	33	135	41°·0
APR. 1921, .	29·7	6·3	10·6	15·5	1	0	25	16	167	23	44	99	46°·0
APR. 1920, .	34·5	6·9	13·3	19·7	4	6	128	9	37	40	45	148	44°·0
APR. 1919, .	19·7	8·6	13·1	16·5	2	0	83	6	213	24	36	128	44°·7
APR. 1918, .	23·3	7·9	9·6	15·1	4	0	111	8	86	28	38	118	43°·2
APR. 1917, .	23·0	7·8	8·3	18·7	3	0	239	5	244	27	33	140	41°·0
APR. 1916, .	25·2	6·4	8·2	17·6	4	0	141	39	40	30	44	116	45°·3

Figures in Columns 5-13 have been corrected for non-resident deaths.
* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—April 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.												
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over	
Enteric Fever - - - - -	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Measles - - - - -	138	76	62	35	99	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	25	10	15	-	17	6	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Whooping-cough - - - - -	59	38	21	24	32	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diphtheria - - - - -	41	25	16	6	25	9	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
Influenza - - - - -	330	160	170	19	19	2	1	15	19	42	34	53	65	52	9	
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	10	6	4	-	1	-	-	1	1	2	2	2	1	-	-	
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	7	2	5	2	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	4	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	207	103	104	1	4	3	9	54	37	35	33	23	7	1	-	
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	32	20	12	7	11	3	4	4	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	23	12	11	1	7	4	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	-	-	
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	37	14	23	1	10	4	1	7	5	-	2	2	5	-	-	
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	272	112	160	-	1	-	-	2	8	23	53	70	85	28	2	
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	4	2	2	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	23	18	5	9	9	2	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
Apoplexy - - - - -	237	122	145	-	-	1	-	1	-	5	19	54	99	74	14	
Heart Disease - - - - -	323	147	176	1	-	4	3	10	13	19	31	59	115	57	11	
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	40	23	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	3	9	21	1	
Bronchitis - - - - -	285	128	157	21	14	1	-	3	4	9	12	46	91	69	15	
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	564	329	235	140	179	7	3	16	25	38	30	42	47	31	6	
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	46	24	22	6	1	1	-	1	1	4	5	9	6	10	2	
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	33	21	12	29	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appendicitis - - - - -	20	13	7	-	-	4	1	6	2	2	3	1	-	1	-	
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	33	14	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	10	11	1	1	
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	87	51	36	-	1	1	2	4	6	5	19	15	20	10	4	
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	10	-	10	-	-	-	-	2	3	5	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	25	-	25	-	-	-	-	5	11	9	-	-	-	-	-	
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	188	119	69	184	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suicide - - - - -	25	19	6	-	-	-	-	2	3	7	5	5	2	1	-	
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	95	63	32	5	11	5	2	11	10	9	11	14	8	7	2	
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	485	219	266	58	19	2	4	13	15	33	42	60	92	112	35	
Causes ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	45	28	17	2	3	2	1	-	1	3	6	9	9	9	-	
	3785	1922	1863	551	472	72	38	164	168	257	325	479	673	484	102	

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers) - April 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	138	74	5	1	6	12	17	7	...
Scarlet Fever	25	11	2	2	2	4	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	59	38	2	...	...	12	1	...	...
Diphtheria	41	17	5	13	3	...	2	...	...
Influenza	330	204	24	14	16	11	20	8	4
Encephalitis Lethargica	10	5	2	...	...	...	...	1	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	7	4	2	...	...	1	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	4	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	207	98	41	14	12	9	9	2	5
Tuberculous Meningitis	32	10	10	4	4	...	...	1	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	23	10	2	1	3	2	2	1	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	37	14	10	1	2	3	3	1	1
Malignant Tumours	272	113	54	15	16	14	12	3	5
Rheumatic Fever	4	2	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	23	12	1	2	1	...	5	...	1
Apoplexy	267	122	44	24	21	6	8	6	2
Heart Disease	323	124	61	32	25	11	15	7	9
Diseases of Arteries	40	10	12	5	5	3	1	...	...
Bronchitis	285	148	32	22	17	11	9	16	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	564	372	16	32	16	31	30	16	9
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	46	23	7	2	3	1	5	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	33	18	6	...	2	1	1	1	...
Appendicitis	20	7	4	1	...	1	...	3	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	33	16	6	...	...	2	...	2	1
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	87	44	16	6	3	4	3	2	1
Puerperal Sepsis	10	3	1	1	1	...	...	1	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	25	7	1	3	4	...	...	3	3
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	188	80	24	17	16	14	6	4	4
Suicide	25	14	1	5	...	...	1	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	95	41	16	4	8	1	4	3	1
Other Defined Diseases	485	202	88	37	43	13	15	14	11
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	45	24	2	6	3	2	3	...	1
All Causes ...	3785	1869	498	265	233	169	172	102	60
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	551	296	55	29	34	41	24	13	7
1-4	472	280	19	19	14	30	40	17	5
5-9	72	35	9	11	4	2	4	1	1
10-14	38	17	7	1	4	...	1	2	...
15-24	164	77	23	11	12	4	7	3	3
25-34	168	86	24	7	7	12	9	8	3
35-44	258	128	39	19	9	9	11	5	7
45-54	325	168	45	24	16	14	13	7	8
55-64	479	247	60	32	24	17	19	19	7
65-74	672	299	112	60	43	20	23	13	11
75-84	484	205	81	42	55	16	17	9	6
85 and over	102	31	24	10	11	4	4	5	2
All Ages ...	3785	1869	498	265	233	169	172	102	60

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—April 1926—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.					Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	5	3	5	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1	...	...	...	2
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Influenza... ..	...	...	...	...	5	3	3	13	2	1	1	1
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	4	2	4	3	2	1	...	1
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...
Malignant Tumours ... ..	...	...	...	...	7	5	2	3	8	6	1	8
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Apoplexy ... ..	...	...	...	...	5	4	8	4	2	4	3	4
Heart Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	6	8	2	5	3	5	6	4
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2
Bronchitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	4	4	5	6	4	3	1	2
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..	...	...	...	...	14	2	4	10	9	1	1	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	2
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	1	2	...	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	2	...	1	1	...
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	2	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	...	...	...	...	6	1	2	6	3	1	3	1
Suicide ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	3	...	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths ... ..	...	...	...	...	4	...	3	...	1	4	2	3
Other Defined Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	5	10	11	6	5	6	8	11
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
All Causes					74	52	50	71	47	44	34	45
AGE AT DEATH.												
Under 1 ... ..	...	...	...	...	11	6	5	14	5	4	5	2
1- 4 ... ..	...	...	...	...	14	2	5	9	6	7	2	3
5- 9 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	2
10-14 ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	1	2	1	...	1	...	...
15-24 ... ..	...	...	...	...	3	5	5	4	2	1	2	2
25-34 ... ..	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	4	2	...	2	...
35-44 ... ..	...	...	...	...	6	4	1	8	3	2	2	4
45-54 ... ..	...	...	...	...	7	5	3	4	5	2	3	1
55-64 ... ..	...	...	...	...	14	6	5	8	6	3	7	5
65-74 ... ..	...	...	...	...	11	13	14	9	11	18	5	11
75-84 ... ..	...	...	...	...	5	4	7	7	5	5	5	15
85 and over ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	2	2	1	...	...
All Ages					74	52	50	71	47	44	34	45

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of APRIL 1926.

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North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

MAY 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of May 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4549 living children, of whom 2291 were males, and 2258 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month that of males is 235 fewer, that of females is 57 fewer, and that of children of both sexes is 292 fewer.

The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 22·4 per thousand. This rate is 2·4 less than that for the previous month, and 2·2 less than the mean of those for the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 23·6 and varied from 27·6 in Hamilton, 27·2 in Ayr, and 26·9 in Motherwell and Wishaw, to 17·8 in Edinburgh and in Dunfermline. In Coatbridge it was 26·1, in Falkirk 25·7, in Paisley 25·5, in Kirkcaldy 23·4, in Perth 23·3, in Glasgow 23·2, in Dundee and in Kilmarnock 23·0, in Greenock 22·6, in Clydebank 22·2, and in Aberdeen 22·0.

Of the 4549 living children whose births were registered during the month, 4280, or 94·1 per cent., were legitimate, while 269, or 5·9 per cent., were illegitimate. Compared with the number in the previous month, legitimate children number 270 fewer, and illegitimate children 22 fewer. The illegitimate rate for the month is 0·1 less than in the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate averaged 5·7 and varied from 9·3 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 9·2 in Perth, and 8·1 in Ayr, to 1·1 in Clydebank, 2·7 in Paisley, and 3·2 in Dunfermline. In Glasgow this rate was 6·3, in Edinburgh 5·1, in Dundee 6·3, and in Aberdeen 6·4.

Marriages registered in those towns during the month numbered 858, and numbered 784 fewer than in April. The monthly marriage-rate for these towns taken collectively was 4·2 per thousand, which is 4·2 less than in April, but is 0·6 more than the mean of those for the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the monthly marriage-rate averaged 3·8, and varied from 6·6 in Kilmarnock and 6·3 in Aberdeen to 2·4 in Hamilton, 2·6 in Dunfermline, and 2·9 in Coatbridge. In Glasgow this rate was 4·2, in Edinburgh 4·7, and in Dundee 3·7.

Deaths registered in those towns during the month numbered 3003, of which 1566 were of males and 1437 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual

residence outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 2858. This corrected number includes the deaths of 1487 males and 1371 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 14·1 per thousand, being 5·3 less than in the previous month, but 0·2 more than the mean of those for the corresponding month of the preceding three years. In the individual towns the monthly death-rate averaged 14·2, and varied from 17·4 in Greenock, and 17·2 in Coatbridge and in Hamilton, to 8·7 in Clydebank, 11·2 in Dunfermline, 12·3 in Motherwell and Wishaw, and 12·9 in Perth. In Ayr it was 15·8, in Paisley and Kirkcaldy 15·5, in Kilmarnock 15·4, in Glasgow 14·2, in Aberdeen 13·9, in Dundee 13·7, in Edinburgh 13·5, and in Falkirk 13·0.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 374, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 81 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths collectively number 177 fewer than in the previous month. This rate is 42 less than in the previous month, and 9 less than the mean of those for the corresponding month of the three preceding years. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate averaged 86 and ranged from 156 in Paisley, 132 in Kirkcaldy, 130 in Coatbridge and 119 in Ayr, to 33 in Dunfermline, 58 in Kilmarnock, and 60 in Falkirk and in Perth. In Greenock it was 90, in Hamilton 85, in Aberdeen 78, in Edinburgh and in Dundee 77, in Glasgow and in Motherwell and Wishaw 76, and in Clydebank 64.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 157, and equalled a death-rate from these causes of 0·8 per thousand. These deaths collectively number 141 fewer than in the previous month, and 94 fewer than the mean of the numbers for the corresponding month of the three preceding years. These 157 deaths include 66 from measles, 27 from diarrhoeas of childhood, 26 from whooping-cough, 21 from diphtheria, and 17 from scarlet fever. No death was registered as due to enteric fever. Compared with the number for the previous month, deaths from enteric fever are 2 fewer, from the diarrhoeas of childhood 6 fewer, from scarlet fever 8 fewer, from diphtheria 20 fewer, from whooping-cough 33 fewer, and from measles 72 fewer.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 68. In April these deaths numbered 330, in March 100, and in February 35.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 465, and equalled a death-rate of 2·3 per thousand. This rate is 2·3 less than in the previous month, but is 0·1 more than the mean of those for the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 273, of which 198 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 26 fewer than in the previous month, and 17 fewer than the mean of those for the corresponding month of the three preceding years. The latter is 9 fewer than in the previous month, but is 3 more than the mean of the numbers for the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

MAY 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·849 in.; less than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·099 in.

Mean temperature, 48°·3; less by 1°·3.

Mean daily range of temperature, 14°·2; less by 0°·8.

Rain, depth in inches, 2·60; greater by 0·17 in.

Wind, direction of: a 3 days' excess of winds from between N.W. and N.E.

During a great part of the month the conditions which had developed about 19th April were maintained, and with pressure as a rule high over the Arctic regions or Scandinavia, winds were almost persistently from some northerly point. Various secondaries caused unsettled weather at times, and towards the end of the month westerly winds associated with Atlantic depressions made their influence felt. At Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, the extremes of pressure were 30·18 in. on 3rd, and 29·23 in. on 30th.

The month was the first since December 1925 with a mean temperature below the normal, fairly warm weather during the last ten days hardly counterbalancing some very cold weather during the first three weeks. Around 6th and 7th the days were very cold, whilst between 13th and 17th most districts experienced sharp frost on one or two nights, with a reading in screen at Braemar as low as 25° on night of 15th-16th. Highest readings occurred very generally between 25th and 27th (72° at Edinburgh on 26th), and the nights at that time were rather warm. The temperature deficiency for the month as a whole was more pronounced by day than by night.

Light to moderate rains were general from 4th to 7th and from 11th to 13th or 14th, with some rather heavier falls towards north-west on 11th (1·36 in. at Roshven). The period from 14th to 23rd was almost rainless in many districts, except for moderate falls on 19th and 20th, whilst from 24th to 31st conditions were rather unsettled with rain on every day in some areas. On 24th, 27th and 30th some fairly heavy falls occurred, with nearly 1 in. at Boghall, near Edinburgh, on 30th. Relatively to the normal, aggregates varied irregularly. Thus in the Lothians and in Central Perthshire there was a fairly well-defined excess; whereas Aberdeen had only 66 per cent of the normal and Fort William only 77 per cent.

The mean wind force of the month was remarkably low.

Snow occurred on high ground on 5th, 6th and 14th—on 14th at lower levels also, as at Edinburgh and Kelso.

Thunderstorms over limited or rather wide areas occurred on 5th; on each day from 10th to 14th and again from 17th to 22nd; and on 25th, 26th, 29th and 30th. Apparently the extreme north was most free from thunder, and the most general storms occurred on 11th (in the west), on 13th (in east, south and south-west), and on 20th (very widely).

There were some very sunny days, notably 22nd and 23rd; but sunshine aggregates did not differ greatly from the normal. Thus, Edinburgh had a slight excess and Aberdeen a slight deficiency.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 40.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, MAY 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.						MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.	REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.		
								Males.		Females.	Total	Out.		In.	
GLASGOW,* . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	1064	991	2055	1926	129	374	718	582	1300	113	71	1258	
EDINBURGH, . . .	420,264	424,600	322	320	642	609	33	169	281	270	551	89	15	486	
DUNDEE, . . .	163,315	170,200	178	154	332	311	21	53	191	109	210	18	6	198	
ABERDEEN, . . .	153,963	157,600	151	144	295	276	19	34	86	113	199	33	20	186	
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	85	103	188	183	5	31	55	61	116	6	4	114	
GREENOCK, . . .	81,123	81,700	67	90	157	151	6	26	74	57	131	12	2	121	
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	63,869	70,900	72	90	162	147	15	18	38	32	70	3	7	74	
CLYDEBANK, . . .	46,601	46,200	45	42	87	86	1	12	12	10	22	0	12	34	
COATBRIDGE, . . .	43,919	45,200	53	42	100	93	7	11	33	24	57	0	9	66	
DUNFERMLINE, . .	39,899	41,100	36	26	62	60	2	9	25	20	45	8	2	39	
KIRKCALDY, . . .	39,591	40,300	33	47	80	74	6	11	18	28	46	2	9	53	
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	45	48	93	89	4	8	26	25	51	2	9	58	
KILMARNOCK, . . .	35,911	35,900	32	38	70	65	5	20	30	21	51	10	6	47	
AYR,	35,763	37,200	32	54	86	79	7	10	26	36	62	15	3	50	
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	40	35	75	72	3	12	19	23	42	6	2	38	
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	31	34	65	59	6	10	24	26	50	14	0	36	
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2291	2258	4549	4280	269	858	1566	1437	3003	322	177	2858	

* Burgh boundaries extended May 15.

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, MAY 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tubercu- losis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	23.2	6.3	4.2	14.7	14.2	0.8	1.4	1.0	2.7	164	76
EDINBURGH. . .	17.8	5.1	4.7	15.3	13.5	0.3	1.4	0.9	1.4	53	77
DUNDEE, . . .	23.0	6.3	3.7	14.5	13.7	0.5	1.3	1.0	2.8	25	77
ABERDEEN, . . .	22.0	6.4	6.3	14.9	13.9	1.0	1.2	0.7	1.9	23	78
PAISLEY, . . .	25.5	2.7	4.2	15.8	15.5	1.8	1.5	1.2	1.9	26	156
GREENOCK, . . .	22.6	3.8	3.7	18.9	17.4	2.5	1.4	1.4	3.0	15	90
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	26.9	9.3	3.0	11.6	12.3	0.7	1.2	1.2	1.7	11	76
CLYDEBANK, . .	22.2	1.1	3.1	5.6	8.7	0.0	0.8	0.5	1.0	6	64
COATBRIDGE, . .	26.1	7.0	2.9	14.9	17.2	0.8	2.6	1.8	3.4	13	130
DUNFERMLINE, .	17.8	3.2	2.6	12.9	11.2	0.3	0.9	0.9	0.9	2	33
KIRKCALDY, . .	23.4	7.5	3.2	13.4	15.5	0.6	1.2	0.6	1.2	9	132
HAMILTON, . . .	27.6	4.3	2.4	15.1	17.2	2.7	1.2	0.9	3.6	8	85
KILMARNOCK, . .	23.0	7.1	6.6	16.7	15.4	0.3	1.6	0.7	2.0	4	58
AYR,	27.2	8.1	3.2	19.6	15.8	0.0	0.6	0.6	2.2	8	119
FALKIRK, . . .	25.7	4.0	4.1	14.4	13.0	0.3	1.7	1.4	1.4	4	60
PERTH,	23.3	9.2	3.6	17.9	12.9	0.0	0.7	0.7	2.9	3	60
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	22.4	5.9	4.2	14.8	14.1	0.8	1.3	1.0	2.3	374	81

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR MAY 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							* Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
MAY 1926, .	22.4	5.9	4.2	14.1	0	0	66	17	26	21	27	81	48° 3
MAY 1925, .	23.9	6.6	3.4	12.7	1	0	29	11	156	23	26	90	50° 2
MAY 1924, .	24.4	6.4	3.3	14.1	0	0	119	24	98	29	34	94	48° 2
MAY 1923, .	25.6	6.9	4.0	14.2	2	0	56	12	85	15	33	93	46° 7
MAY 1922, .	27.1	6.8	5.1	16.0	3	0	388	12	82	16	52	111	51° 3
MAY 1921, .	30.0	6.8	6.1	13.8	0	0	21	11	124	33	29	91	51° 0
MAY 1920, .	31.7	7.9	7.5	17.0	2	22	102	10	31	27	53	121	50° 6
MAY 1919, .	20.9	8.5	7.3	13.4	2	0	106	7	120	21	28	106	52° 6
MAY 1918, .	22.6	8.7	5.1	15.8	7	0	140	8	125	23	30	116	52° 6
MAY 1917, .	22.3	8.1	4.9	17.0	3	0	277	16	257	27	43	128	49° 6
MAY 1916, .	27.8	6.9	5.8	15.6	1	0	183	26	56	22	35	110	49° 3

Figures in Columns 5-13 have been corrected for non-resident deaths.

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—May 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.													
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over.		
Enteric Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles - - - - -	66	37	29	17	46	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	17	8	9	1	13	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping-cough - - - - -	26	15	11	13	12	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria - - - - -	21	10	11	3	14	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Influenza - - - - -	68	36	32	4	3	1	-	-	6	9	10	13	13	8	1	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	4	2	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	20	11	9	2	1	-	-	3	1	2	1	3	6	1	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	198	107	91	1	3	1	6	57	41	37	32	12	8	-	-	-	-
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	31	15	16	1	15	8	5	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	24	11	13	1	5	4	2	5	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	20	13	7	2	5	-	2	3	2	2	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	269	114	155	-	1	-	1	2	8	16	44	84	78	28	7	-	-
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	11	4	7	-	-	3	1	4	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	32	21	11	11	12	3	1	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apoplexy - - - - -	235	119	116	-	-	-	1	-	1	4	19	41	90	69	10	-	-
Heart Disease - - - - -	337	164	173	-	-	1	5	8	15	15	39	74	94	80	6	-	-
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	21	13	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	3	4	9	1	-	-
Bronchitis - - - - -	159	84	75	19	3	-	-	1	1	3	7	33	53	32	7	-	-
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	278	170	108	52	71	6	5	13	7	13	22	31	38	15	5	-	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	28	10	18	4	2	-	-	-	4	1	-	3	6	5	3	-	-
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	27	15	12	22	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis - - - - -	13	5	8	-	1	-	1	3	2	2	3	-	1	-	-	-	-
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	22	8	14	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	4	9	4	2	-	-	-
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	22	42	48	-	2	-	-	-	2	6	14	36	23	6	1	-	-
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	10	-	10	-	-	-	-	6	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	13	-	13	-	-	-	-	2	9	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	167	97	70	163	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suicide - - - - -	27	16	11	-	-	-	-	-	3	7	4	9	1	2	1	-	-
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	103	73	30	10	15	11	3	21	7	7	7	11	6	3	2	-	-
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	468	238	230	43	13	11	6	9	23	25	49	60	94	102	33	-	-
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	51	29	22	4	3	-	-	1	1	2	6	12	13	8	1	-	-
	2858	1487	1371	374	246	58	43	145	141	159	272	439	533	370	78	-	-

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—May 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.					Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	...	...	...	...	66	21	5	...	5	7	14	1	...
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	17	10	2	2	1	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	...	...	...	...	26	13	...	...	5	6	...	1	...
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	21	9	2	4	1	...	3	1	...
Influenza	...	...	...	...	68	27	7	8	5	...	7	...	1
Encephalitis Lethargica	...	...	...	...	4	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	...	...	...	...	20	14	4	...	1	...	1	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	...	...	...	...	198	90	32	14	9	9	10	7	2
Tuberculous Meningitis	...	...	...	...	31	14	9	1	4	1	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum	...	...	...	...	24	4	6	3	2	1	...	...	1
Other Tuberculous Disease	...	...	...	...	20	14	3	1	1	...	...	...	...
Malignant Tumours	...	...	...	...	269	113	48	19	18	10	11	10	3
Rheumatic Fever	...	...	...	...	11	2	1	1	...	1	2	1	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	32	14	1	1	3	1	2	...	2
Apoplexy	...	...	...	...	235	94	51	12	21	6	11	8	5
Heart Disease	...	...	...	...	337	128	95	25	18	15	11	7	2
Diseases of Arteries	...	...	...	...	21	12	4	...	2	...	...	...	...
Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	159	75	24	15	8	4	5	8	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	...	...	...	...	278	156	22	22	14	10	16	2	3
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	...	...	...	...	28	12	4	3	4	...	...	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	...	27	21	3	1	1	...	...	1	...
Appendicitis	...	...	...	...	13	7	4	1	...	...	...	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	...	...	22	10	2	...	3	3	1	1	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	...	...	...	...	90	41	15	7	6	1	1	1	2
Puerperal Sepsis	...	...	...	...	10	4	1	1	1	...	1	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	...	...	...	...	13	5	2	1	...	1	1	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	...	...	...	...	167	59	29	12	9	14	7	9	3
Suicide	...	...	...	...	27	13	6	4	1	...	1	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	...	...	...	...	103	56	19	4	3	1	5	4	2
Other Defined Diseases	...	...	...	...	468	192	80	30	36	22	10	10	5
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	...	...	...	...	51	25	2	6	4	1	1	2	2
All Causes					2858	1258	486	198	186	114	121	74	34
AGE AT DEATH.													
Under 1	...	...	...	...	374	164	53	25	23	26	15	11	6
1- 4	...	...	...	...	246	117	22	9	18	14	28	3	...
5- 9	...	...	...	...	58	23	5	4	5	...	4	1	3
10-14	...	...	...	...	43	21	7	3	2	1	1	...	1
15-24	...	...	...	...	145	70	25	10	8	2	6	5	2
25-34	...	...	...	...	141	73	31	4	3	9	6	2	3
35-44	...	...	...	...	159	78	26	10	8	4	7	6	3
45-54	...	...	...	...	272	129	40	17	10	8	15	8	2
55-64	...	...	...	...	439	204	79	27	24	21	12	13	4
65-74	...	...	...	...	533	215	106	50	35	18	17	17	5
75-84	...	...	...	...	370	141	75	30	40	6	10	7	3
85 and over	...	...	...	...	78	23	17	9	10	5	...	1	2
All Ages					2858	1258	486	198	186	114	121	74	34

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—May 1926—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	3	...	...	8	1	...	1	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Influenza... ..	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	2
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	7	3	2	3	2	2	4	2
Tuberculous Meningitis	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	2	...	2	...	2	...	1	...
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Malignant Tumours	5	3	5	3	8	5	4	4
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	4	...	...	2	1	1	...	...
Apoplexy	5	...	7	1	5	6	1	2
Heart Disease	4	8	6	4	6	4	3	1
Diseases of Arteries	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Bronchitis	3	2	2	4	2	1	1	4
Pneumonia (all forms)	9	1	2	7	3	4	3	4
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	1	...	...	1	1	2	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	1	5	3	...	...	3	2	2
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition ... ..	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	1
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	7	1	4	2	1	5	3	2
Suicide ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	4	...	1	3	...	...	1	...
Other Defined Diseases	7	12	10	12	10	11	10	11
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	1	...	...	2	...	3	2	...
All Causes	66	39	53	58	47	50	38	36
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	13	2	9	8	4	8	4	3
1-4	7	2	3	14	4	2	2	1
5-9	5	1	2	...	...	2	1	2
10-14	2	1	...	...	1	2	1	...
15-24	5	1	3	3	1	1	1	2
25-34	1	...	2	2	2	1	1	1
35-44	1	2	2	3	1	5	1	2
45-54	8	4	6	5	9	3	6	2
55-64	9	6	4	8	5	10	6	7
65-74	10	8	13	6	12	7	9	5
75-84	5	11	7	6	8	9	5	7
85 and over ... ..	...	1	2	3	...	...	1	4
All Ages	66	39	53	58	47	50	38	36

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of May 1926.

OBSERVERS.	BARO-METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.								HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRECIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.															
	Height of Station above Sea-level.	Mean at Station and 32°.	inch.	Mean at Sea Level and 32°.	inch.	Mean of		Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Absolute Maximum and Minimum.			Mean at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.				Number of Days.	Total Fall.	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.													
						Maximum (A).	Minimum (B.)		Day of Month.	Maximum.	Day of Month.	Minimum.	Day of Month.	Dry Bulb.	Depression of Wet Bulb.				Vapour Pressure.	Humidity.	per cent.	inch.	feet.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Variable.
RENFREW,* The Meteorological Office.	40	29.810	29.854	53.3	40.2	43.3	-2.0	69	26th	26	16th	48.7	3.0	.273	73	20	2.91	+0.22	0	9	10	3	6	6	11	10	7					
EDINBURGH, Professor R. A. Sampson, F.R.S., Royal Observatory.	441	29.882	29.864	53.5	40.9	47.2	-1.3	72	26th	33	6, 15	46.9	3.3	.246	75	19	3.33	+1.46	8	7	8	2	6	4	9	7	11					
DUNDEE, A. Macrae, Cepetaries.	164	29.654	29.835	54.8	40.0	47.7	-1.7	56	27, 28, 29	31	8th	47.6	2.6	.273	80	19	2.31	+0.22	0	16	0	21	0	12	0	13	0					
ABERDEEN,* The Meteorological Office.	90	29.743	29.844	53.2	41.1	47.1	-1.1	62	26, 27, 29	32	16th	47.1	2.5	.263	81	22	1.53	-0.80	7	8	2	9	12	6	1	16	1					
PAISLEY, The Coats Observatory.	107	29.725	29.847	58.3	42.5	50.4	-1.2	69	26th	32	15th	49.6	3.7	.266	73	20	2.87	+0.38	6	7	12	4	4	7	6	9	7					
GREENOCK,† J. Macalister, A.M. Inst. C.E., Greenock Waterworks.	233	29.638	29.860	54.7	42.8	48.7	-1.1	65	26th	35	6, 15	43.8	3.9	.248	72	18	3.18	-0.27	0	3	15	3	7	10	20	4	0					
PERTH,† J. Ritchie, The Museum.	22	29.806	29.830	57.1	40.2	48.7	-1.1	70	26th	31	13th	59.2	4.2	.253	70	21	2.06	-0.16	7	2	6	16	0	17	2	12	0					
Means	157	29.676	29.849	55.4	41.2	48.3	-1.3	..	..	..	..	43.4	3.3	.269	76	20	2.60	+0.17	4	7	8	8	5	9	7	10	4	
North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 42'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 56° 23'; Perth, 56° 14'. West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 87'.																																

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley, 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
 West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 21'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

* At 7 A.M. and 6 P.M.

† At 9 A.M. only.

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IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

JUNE 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of June 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4541 living children, of whom 2265 were males, and 2276 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month that of males is 26 fewer, that of females is 18 more, and that of both sexes 8 fewer.

The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 23·1 per thousand. This rate is 0·7 more than in the previous month, but 1·7 below the average. In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 22·7 and varied from 26·4 in Hamilton, 25·9 in Perth, and 25·0 in Glasgow and in Greenock, to 18·4 in Dunfermline, 19·3 in Edinburgh, 21·1 in Clydebank, 21·4 in Aberdeen, and 21·6 in Falkirk. In Ayr it was 23·9, in Motherwell and Wishaw 23·3, in Coatbridge 22·6, in Paisley 22·3, in Dundee 22 2, and in Kirkcaldy and in Kilmarnock 22·0.

Of the 4541 living children whose births were registered during the month, 4258, or 93·8 per cent., were legitimate, while 283, or 6·2 per cent., were illegitimate. Compared with the number in the previous month, legitimate children numbered 22 fewer, but illegitimate children 14 more. The illegitimate rate for the month is 0·3 more than in the previous month. In the individual towns this rate averaged 5·3, and varied from 9·5 in Coatbridge, 7·3 in Edinburgh, and 6·8 in Kirkcaldy, to 1·6 in Falkirk, 2·3 in Hamilton and 2·7 in Ayr. In Glasgow this rate was 6·6, in Dundee 6·1, and in Aberdeen 6·5.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 1931. They are 1073 more than in May. The monthly marriage-rate for these towns taken collectively was 9·8 per thousand, which is 5·6 more than in May, but 1·8 below the average. In the individual towns the marriage-rate averaged 8·4, and varied from 11·8 in Aberdeen, 11·5 in Edinburgh, 10·5 in Kilmarnock and 10·3 in Glasgow, to 4·7 in Clydebank, 4·8 in Motherwell and Wishaw, and 5·7 in Coatbridge. In Dundee this rate was 9·2.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 2478, of which 1278 were of males and 1200 were of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence in Scotland but outwith the town of registration, and adding those of

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are the means of the same rates in the corresponding months of the three preceding years.

persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 2315. This corrected number includes the deaths of 1168 males and of 1147 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 11·8 per thousand, being 2·3 less than that of the previous month, and 1·1 less than the average. In the individual towns the monthly death-rate averaged 10·8, and varied from 13·2 in Kilmarnock, 13·1 in Paisley and 12·5 in Edinburgh and in Greenock, to 7·6 in Clydebank, 8·5 in Perth, and 8·7 in Kirkcaldy. In Hamilton it was 12·3, in Glasgow 12·1, in Aberdeen 11·7, in Dundee 11·6, in Ayr 11·1, in Motherwell and Wishaw 9·6, in Dunfermline 9·5, in Coatbridge 9·4, and in Falkirk 9·2.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 310, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 70 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths collectively numbered 64 fewer than in the previous month. This rate is 11 below that for May and 6 less than the average. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate averaged 67, and varied from 120 in Aberdeen, 97 in Falkirk, and 88 in Greenock, to 22 in Clydebank, 30 in Kirkcaldy and 31 in Ayr. In Coatbridge it was 84, in Motherwell and Wishaw 80, in Hamilton 78, in Paisley 75, in Glasgow 68, in Edinburgh 65, in Kilmarnock 62, in Dundee and in Perth 61, and in Dunfermline 52.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 119, and equalled a death-rate from these causes of 0·6 per thousand. These deaths collectively number 38 fewer than in the previous month, and 66 fewer than the average. These deaths include 31 from the diarrhoeas of childhood, 29 from measles, 25 from whooping-cough, 17 from diphtheria, 16 from scarlet fever, and 1 from enteric fever. Compared with the number for the previous month, deaths from the diarrhoeas of childhood are 4 more, and from enteric fever 1 more, but those from scarlet fever and whooping cough are each 1 fewer, from diphtheria 4 fewer, and from measles 37 fewer.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 17. In May these deaths numbered 68, in April 330, and in March 100.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 274, and equalled a death-rate of 1·4 per thousand. This rate is 0·9 below that of the previous month, and 0·4 below the average.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 238, of which 159 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 35 fewer than in the previous month, and 42 fewer than the average. The latter number is 39 fewer than in the previous month, and 33 fewer than the average.

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JUNE 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·852 in.; less than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·117 in.

Mean temperature, 55°·3; being the average.

Mean daily range of temperature, 14°·2; less by 1°·2.

Rain, depth in inches, 2·54; greater by 0·31 in.

Wind, direction of: a 2 days' excess of south-easterly winds.

In the rear of a secondary depression which passed across the south of England on 1st and 2nd pressure rose considerably; but with a low pressure area over Ireland from about 9th to 14th, and secondaries moving eastwards, conditions were very unsettled for several days. By 21st an Atlantic anticyclone had developed and this gradually drifted towards the Continent. The mean pressure of the month was the lowest recorded in June since 1916; the extremes at Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, were 30·39 in. on 28th and 29·13 in. on 10th; and the extreme range was abnormally high, and has been equalled in June during the last 50 years only in 1916.

After rather low temperatures at first (32° at Balmoral on 1st), warm days were experienced from about 4th to 9th (79° at Ruthwell on 6th). Thereafter, except for a brief outburst of warmth on 20th, temperature was hardly more than moderate until near the end of the month, when the days became rather warm. Nowhere did the mean temperature of the month differ greatly from the normal, and on the whole the days were slightly colder, and the nights slightly warmer, than the average.

Light rains were fairly general on 1st, and, after some fine days, moderate falls on 7th. Rather heavy falls in east on 9th were followed by very wet weather in south, west, and Central Scotland on 10th and 11th, with further moderate falls in some districts on 12th. At Glenbranter, near Strachur, and at Arrochar, the three days' total from 10th to 12th exceeded 4 inches, and at Glenbranter as much as 2·26 in. was registered on 11th. Towards south-east very heavy rain fell from 14th to 16th, with about 1 in. at Edinburgh on 14th. From 17th onwards conditions were very settled in west and south, with practically no rain at e.g. Dumfries; but towards the north-west the period from 19th to 22nd was the wettest time of the month, and there were moderate falls in some districts on 26th and 27th, and some heavy falls locally during a thunderstorm on the evening of 30th. In most eastern districts aggregates were appreciably above the normal; in the west the distribution was rather irregular; and in south-west there was a decided deficiency. Balmoral had fully twice the normal, and the month in the upper Dee Valley was the wettest June since 1897.

Wind force was on the whole low; but on the 14th a north-easterly gale prevailed over the North Sea. On the night of 13th a steamer was wrecked on Auskerry, Orkney, during a dense fog. Snow fell on the top of the Cairngorm mountains as late as 24th.

Thunderstorms occurred sporadically on 1st, 2nd, 4th, 8th, 9th, 16th, 17th, 24th, 28th, and 29th. The thunderstorm of 30th was very severe in East Lothian and over a great part of the east, north-east, and north of Scotland.

During the first week or so and the last ten days of the month much sunshine was experienced in many districts. Aggregates were deficient in the north; slightly so in the east; but above the normal in west and south.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 48.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, JUNE 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW,* . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	1063	1100	2163	2020	143	894	581	521	1102	100	44	1046
EDINBURGH. . .	420,264	424,600	316	357	673	624	49	403	238	256	494	80	21	435
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	158	153	311	292	19	129	75	95	170	13	5	162
ABERDEEN, . . .	158,963	157,600	142	135	277	259	18	153	99	81	180	37	9	152
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	97	62	159	152	7	47	52	45	97	8	4	93
GREENOCK, . . .	81,123	81,700	84	84	168	161	7	49	44	43	87	7	4	84
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	63,869	70,900	73	63	136	128	8	28	28	24	52	1	5	56
CLYDEBANK, . . .	46,601	46,200	46	34	80	76	4	18	9	9	18	0	11	29
COATBRIDGE, . . .	43,919	45,200	40	44	84	76	8	21	21	12	33	0	2	35
DUNFERMLINE, . .	39,899	41,100	32	30	62	59	3	27	20	16	36	9	5	32
KIRKCALDY, . . .	39,591	40,300	37	36	73	68	5	31	10	15	25	1	5	29
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	48	38	86	84	2	23	14	19	33	1	8	40
KILMARNOCK, . . .	35,911	35,900	35	30	65	61	4	31	26	20	46	8	1	39
AYR, . . .	35,763	37,200	37	36	73	71	2	31	18	16	34	9	9	34
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	31	30	61	60	1	19	24	10	34	10	2	26
PERTH, . . .	33,208	32,900	26	44	70	67	3	27	19	18	37	14	0	23
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2265	2276	4541	4258	283	1931	1278	1200	2478	298	135	2315

* Burgh boundaries extended May 15.

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, JUNE 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	25·0	6·6	10·3	12·7	12·1	0·7	1·4	0·9	1·5	140	8
EDINBURGH, . . .	19·3	7·3	11·5	14·2	12·5	0·4	1·2	0·9	1·2	43	5
DUNDEE, . . .	22·2	6·1	9·2	12·1	11·6	0·4	0·8	0·4	1·4	19	1
ABERDEEN, . . .	21·4	6·5	11·8	13·9	11·7	0·8	1·4	1·2	0·7	34	120
PAISLEY, . . .	22·3	4·4	6·6	13·6	13·1	0·8	1·0	0·8	1·4	12	75
GREENOCK, . . .	25·0	4·2	7·3	13·0	12·5	1·0	0·7	0·6	1·2	14	88
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	23·3	5·9	4·8	8·9	9·6	0·5	0·9	0·3	1·4	11	80
CLYDEBANK, . . .	21·1	5·0	4·7	4·7	7·6	0·3	1·6	0·3	0·8	2	22
COATBRIDGE, . . .	22·6	9·5	5·7	8·9	9·4	0·5	1·1	0·5	2·2	8	84
DUNFERMLINE, . .	18·4	4·8	8·0	10·7	9·5	0·3	1·5	0·6	0·9	3	52
KIRKCALDY, . . .	22·0	6·8	9·4	7·5	8·7	0·9	0·0	0·0	1·2	2	30
HAMILTON, . . .	26·4	2·3	7·1	10·1	12·3	1·8	0·6	0·6	1·8	7	78
KILMARNOCK, . . .	22·0	6·2	10·5	15·6	13·2	0·3	0·7	0·3	3·1	4	62
AYR, . . .	23·9	2·7	10·1	11·1	11·1	0·0	1·0	1·0	1·6	2	31
FALKIRK, . . .	21·6	1·3	6·7	12·0	9·2	0·0	0·7	0·4	1·1	6	97
PERTH, . . .	25·9	4·3	10·0	13·7	8·5	0·0	0·0	0·0	1·1	3	61
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	23·1	6·2	9·8	12·6	11·8	0·6	1·2	0·8	1·4	310	70

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR JUNE 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
JUNE 1926, .	23·1	6·2	9·8	11·8	1	0	29	16	25	17	31	70	55°·3
JUNE 1925, .	25·5	6·7	11·2	12·6	0	0	9	28	116	23	43	79	57°·4
JUNE 1924, .	24·3	6·1	11·4	12·8	0	0	36	19	71	21	26	78	54°·2
JUNE 1923, .	24·8	6·1	11·7	12·8	1	0	52	17	45	19	28	80	54°·0
JUNE 1922, .	26·6	7·1	11·6	12·8	2	0	121	4	48	15	47	75	54°·3
JUNE 1921, .	29·5	7·5	13·0	12·6	4	0	5	9	96	15	37	76	56°·5
JUNE 1920, .	30·7	9·5	16·6	13·2	2	19	49	8	23	24	54	86	55°·6
JUNE 1919, .	21·9	9·3	16·7	12·1	1	0	75	5	69	11	24	88	55°·4
JUNE 1918, .	20·8	9·5	10·4	11·4	3	0	69	5	60	25	31	81	54°·9
JUNE 1917, .	22·2	8·6	10·1	14·8	1	0	204	6	201	20	34	99	55°·6
JUNE 1916, .	25·6	7·6	10·3	13·3	6	0	90	24	29	28	44	82	52°·8

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—June 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.												
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over.	
Enteric Fever - - - - -	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles - - - - -	29	12	17	6	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	16	7	9	1	7	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping-cough - - - - -	25	12	13	12	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria - - - - -	17	5	12	2	10	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Influenza - - - - -	17	10	7	-	1	-	-	-	5	1	1	3	6	-	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	7	2	5	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	6	2	4	4	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	159	88	71	-	3	2	6	35	45	23	21	15	7	2	-	-
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	28	15	13	4	16	2	2	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	21	11	10	2	7	4	2	2	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	30	13	17	3	4	2	2	7	3	2	3	4	-	-	-	-
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	293	139	154	-	-	-	-	1	7	18	63	76	92	35	1	-
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	8	2	6	-	-	-	2	2	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	15	8	7	6	4	-	-	3	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Apoplexy - - - - -	238	117	121	-	-	-	-	2	3	4	27	56	86	51	9	-
Heart Disease - - - - -	241	114	127	-	-	-	5	6	10	11	30	53	66	46	14	-
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	31	19	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	9	6	10	1	-
Bronchitis - - - - -	77	40	37	6	3	-	-	2	2	1	9	16	17	15	6	-
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	172	103	69	32	31	6	1	4	8	17	20	19	19	15	-	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	25	14	11	-	2	-	1	-	1	1	6	2	4	8	-	-
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	31	16	15	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis - - - - -	14	9	5	-	1	-	1	3	2	1	3	1	2	-	-	-
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	16	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	5	5	2	-	-
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	80	46	34	1	2	1	1	5	3	7	11	20	22	7	-	-
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	1	2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	21	-	21	-	-	-	-	2	13	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	171	97	74	167	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suicide - - - - -	20	16	4	-	-	-	-	2	1	2	6	5	4	-	-	-
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	78	51	27	1	10	7	7	11	10	6	10	7	4	4	1	-
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	385	174	211	28	16	10	4	10	15	25	47	54	56	89	31	-
Causes ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	32	19	13	4	1	-	-	-	-	4	4	8	6	4	1	-
	2315	1168	1147	310	158	47	37	101	135	140	274	256	405	288	64	-

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)— June 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	29	6	8	...	6	...	4	...	...
Scarlet Fever	16	8	1	4	...	1	...	1	1
Whooping-cough	25	13	1	...	1	4	...	1	...
Diphtheria	17	12	1	1	1	...	2	...	...
Influenza	17	9	1	1	2	1	...	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	7	3	1	...	...	1	1	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	6	3	2	...	1	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	3	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	159	82	31	5	15	6	4	2	3
Tuberculous Meningitis	28	14	4	2	3	...	1	1	3
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	21	12	3	1	...	1	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	30	17	5	3	...	...	...	2	...
Malignant Tumours	293	124	67	28	14	11	11	8	3
Rheumatic Fever	8	3	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	15	6	8	...	...	...	1	...	...
Apoplexy	238	82	65	20	18	8	5	5	3
Heart Disease	241	104	62	13	12	12	8	5	2
Diseases of Arteries	31	13	1	4	6	...	...	1	...
Bronchitis	77	35	11	7	4	1	2	4	...
Pneumonia (all forms)	172	87	23	12	4	9	5	4	3
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	25	10	9	1	1	...	1	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	31	17	4	1	3	1	1	1	...
Appendicitis	14	5	3	1	3	...	1	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	16	6	4	3	1	...	1	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	80	43	8	4	2	6	...	1	1
Puerperal Sepsis	8	5	1	...	...	2	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	21	12	1	2	...	...	...	1	2
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	171	75	24	11	18	7	10	7	...
Suicide	20	10	4	2	3	...	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	78	43	13	2	2	5	3	2	2
Other Defined Diseases	385	164	67	28	30	17	19	10	6
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	32	21	...	5	1	...	3	...	...
All Causes ...	2315	1046	435	162	152	93	84	56	29
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	310	140	43	19	34	12	14	11	2
1- 4	158	79	23	5	9	6	8	5	3
5- 9	47	27	8	5	...	3	...	1	1
10-14	37	20	8	3	1	...	1	1	1
15-24	101	58	14	2	6	7	4	2	3
25-34	135	65	24	10	5	4	6	3	3
35-44	140	77	23	9	10	1	4	2	1
45-54	274	134	63	13	8	15	12	3	4
55-64	356	155	70	29	26	10	13	8	3
65-74	405	163	75	30	29	20	14	12	3
75-84	288	105	72	28	19	9	7	6	5
85 and over	64	23	12	9	5	6	1	2	...
All Ages ...	2315	1046	435	162	152	93	84	56	29

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)-- June 1926--continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	1	1	1	2	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	2	3	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Influenza... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	2	2	...	2	1	3	1	...
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	1	2	...	...	1	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...
Malignant Tumours	3	3	1	5	6	1	4	4
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Apoplexy	4	4	5	5	7	5	1	1
Heart Disease	2	3	3	4	4	4	2	1
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	2	1	...	...	...	1	2
Bronchitis	3	1	2	1	4	1	...	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	5	2	2	5	3	3	3	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	2	2	1	3	4	...	2	1
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition ... ..	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	5	2	...	...	1	2	6	3
Suicide ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths ... ..	...	...	1	1	1	3	...	...
Other Defined Diseases	5	5	9	6	3	9	3	4
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
All Causes	35	32	29	40	39	34	26	23
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	8	3	2	7	4	2	6	3
1- 4	4	2	3	6	1	1	1	2
5- 9	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
10-14 ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...
15-24 ... ..	...	...	...	2	3	...	...	...
25-34	1	2	...	...	3	4	2	3
35-44	1	3	1	3	...	4	1	...
45-54	2	3	3	4	2	3	3	2
55-64	7	4	6	7	4	4	6	4
65-74	7	11	4	8	13	7	3	6
75-84	3	3	7	3	8	8	4	1
85 and over	1	...	2	...	1	...	...	2
All Ages	35	32	29	40	39	34	26	23

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of JUNE 1926.

OBSERVERS.	Height of Station above Sea-level.	BARO- METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.							HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRE- CIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.														
		Mean at Station and 32°.	Mean at Sea-Level and 32°.	Mean of	Maximum (A).	Minimum (B.)	Mean of A and B (Mean Tem- perature).	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Absolute Maximum and Minimum.				Dry Bulb.	Depression of Wet Bulb.	Vapour Pressure.	Humidity.	Number of Days.	Total Fall.	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.											
									Maximum.	Day of Month.	Minimum.	Day of Month.								N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.			
RENFREW,* The Meteorological Office.	40	29.800	29.844	63.7	46.2	54.9	- 0.9	71	6, 20, 30	35	3rd	56.3	3.6	.349	77	13	1.76	- 0.76	1	1	10	3	1	8	20	8	3				
EDINBURGH, Professor R. A. Sampson, F.R.S., Royal Observatory.	441	29.392	29.867	60.3	48.1	54.2	+ 0.2	72	20th	41	1st	53.8	3.0	.356	81	16	2.94	+ 1.09	5	8	4	3	4	6	15	5	10				
DUNDEE, A. Macrae, Curator of Camelaries.	164	29.675	29.854	60.9	47.7	54.3	- 1.1	73	20th	40	1, 2	53.9	2.3	.356	85	18	3.05	+ 1.25	0	9	0	31	0	13	0	7	0				
ABERDEEN,* The Meteorological Office.	90	29.751	29.851	59.4	48.3	53.9	+ 0.4	75	20th	40	2nd	53.9	2.7	.343	82	17	1.61	- 0.10	5	9	6	7	11	5	1	12	4				
PAISLEY, The Coats Observatory.	167	29.739	29.847	65.8	49.5	57.7	+ 0.4	74	6, 30,	43	3, 23, 25	57.1	4.3	.345	74	14	1.91	- 0.57	5	5	9	5	6	9	6	9	6				
GREENOCK,† J. Macalister, M.Inst. C.E., Greenock Waterworks.	233	29.601	29.855	61.8	49.7	55.7	+ 0.2	69	29th	45	2nd	55.7	4.0	.336	75	16	3.62	+ 0.32	1	1	11	7	4	6	17	12	1				
PERTH,† J. Ritchie, The Museum.	22	29.820	29.844	65.2	47.7	56.5	+ 0.8	73	6, 20,	38	1st	57.3	4.3	.345	73	18	2.91	+ 0.94	4	2	1	21	3	21	0	8	0				
Means	157	29.651	29.852	62.4	48.2	55.3	0.0	..	..	..	..	55.4	3.5	.344	78	16	2.54	+ 0.31	3	5	6	11	4	10	8	9	4

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Paisley, 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Paisley, 2° 7'; Greenock, 4° 27'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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OF THE

Births, Deaths, and Marriages

IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

JULY 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of July 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4510 living children, of whom 2322 were males, and 2188 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month that of males is 57 more, but that of females is 88 fewer, and that of both sexes is 31 fewer. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 22·2 per thousand. This rate is 0·9 less than in the previous month, and 1·3 less than the average.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 22·4 and varied from 27·6 in Coatbridge, 25·8 in Hamilton, and 25·1 in Perth, to 18·5 in Dundee, 18·7 in Kirkcaldy, 19·3 in Edinburgh, and 19·5 in Falkirk. In Dunfermline this rate was 24·1, in Glasgow 23·8, in Ayr 23·8, in Kilmarnock 23·6, in Greenock 23·5, in Motherwell and Wishaw 22·6, in Clydebank 21·4, in Paisley 20·8, and in Aberdeen 20·3.

Of the 4510 living children whose births were registered during the month, 4221, or 93·6 per cent., were legitimate, while 289, or 6·4 per cent., were illegitimate. The legitimate children of the month numbered 37 fewer than those of the previous month but the illegitimate children numbered 6 more. The illegitimate rate of the month, 6·4 per cent., is 0·2 more than in the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate of the month averaged 5·4 per cent. and varied from 10·9 in Kirkcaldy, 10·0 in Perth, 9·7 in Dundee, and 7·7 in Aberdeen; to 0 in Falkirk, 1·3 in Ayr, 2·0 in Paisley, and 3·4 in Hamilton. In Glasgow this rate was 6·7 per cent. and in Edinburgh 7·2.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 2355, which number is 424 more than in June. The monthly marriage-rate for these towns taken collectively was 11·6 per thousand, which is 1·8 more than in June, but is 1·4 below the July average. The marriage-rates of the individual towns averaged 9·8, and varied from 14·8 in Dundee, 14·1 in Edinburgh and 13·7 in Falkirk, to 4·8 in Ayr, 5·2 in Greenock, and 6·1 in Motherwell and Wishaw. In Glasgow this rate was 11·8 and in Aberdeen 11·1.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 2416, 1240

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are the means of the same rates in the corresponding months of the three preceding years.

being of males and 1176 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence in Scotland but outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 2286. This corrected number includes the deaths of 1152 males and 1134 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 11·2 per thousand, which rate is 0·6 less than that of June, and 0·4 less than the July average. The death-rates of the individual towns averaged 10·5, and varied from 13·7 in Kirkcaldy, 12·8 in Aberdeen, and 11·8 in Glasgow, to 7·7 in Dunfermline, 7·8 in Coatbridge, and 8·9 in Ayr. In Perth the death-rate was 11·5, in Dundee 11·0, in Clydebank 11·0, in Edinburgh 10·8, in Paisley 10·6, in Falkirk 10·6, in Hamilton 10·1, in Motherwell and Wishaw 10·0, in Greenock 9·9, and in Kilmarnock 9·5.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 297, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 65 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths numbered 13 fewer than in the previous month. This rate is 5 less than that of the previous month and 6 less than the July average. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate of the month averaged 64 and varied from 110 in Coatbridge, 80 in Paisley, 78 in Falkirk and 77 in Motherwell and Wishaw, to 15 in Ayr, 43 in Clydebank, and 45 in Kilmarnock. In Dundee this rate was 76, in Hamilton 76, in Kirkcaldy 72, in Aberdeen 71, in Glasgow 68, in Perth 57, in Greenock 55, in Edinburgh 49, and in Dunfermline 48.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 107, and equalled a death-rate of 0·5 per thousand. These deaths collectively numbered 12 fewer than in the previous month, and 46 less than the average. These deaths included 1 from enteric fever, 14 from measles, 15 from scarlet fever, 26 from whooping cough, 10 from diphtheria, and 41 from the diarrhœas of childhood. Compared with the number in the previous month, deaths from the diarrhœas of childhood are 10 more, and those from whooping-cough 1 more, but those from scarlet fever are 1 fewer, from diphtheria 7 fewer, and from measles 15 fewer. In the previous month as in this month there was only 1 death from enteric fever.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 15. In June they numbered 17, and in May 68, while in April they numbered 330 and in March 100.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 245, and equalled a death-rate of 1·2 per thousand. This rate is 0·2 less than that of the previous month, and the same amount less than the average.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 215, of which 158 were ascribed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 23 less than that of the previous month, and 24 less than the July average. The latter number is 1 fewer than in the previous month, but 6 more than the average.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

JULY 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·969 in.; greater than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·069 in.

Mean temperature, 60°·4; greater by 2°·5.

Mean daily range of temperature, 15°·2; greater by 0°·9.

Rain, depth in inches, 2·85; less by 0·14 in.

Wind, direction of: a 2 days' excess of south-westerly winds.

Pressure was very high at first; but by 6th low pressure systems were in evidence. About 11th an anticyclone began to move from France towards Denmark, and on 15th another which had developed near Iceland began to move south-east. By 19th a depression had moved up from the Bay of Biscay and conditions had become very unsettled; but by the end of the month pressure was again very high. The extremes at Edinburgh, at mean-sea-level, were 30·41 in. on 31st and 29·33 in. on 24th.

Temperature was moderate to fairly high during the first ten days, and on 11th a brief spell of very warm weather developed (86° at Ruthwell on 13th and at Paisley on 14th). This came to an abrupt end on the afternoon of 15th with the arrival of a flow of polar air down the eastern side of the Icelandic anticyclone, and at Edinburgh temperature fell about 20° within an hour or two. From 16th to 18th there was another fairly warm spell; but thereafter temperature remained at a considerably lower level until 29th, with readings in screen on night of 25th-26th of 32° at Balmoral and 33° at Braemar. Judged by its mean temperature the month was the warmest July since 1921.

The first week or so was rainless over considerable areas; but there were fairly heavy falls towards the Border counties on 1st, in parts of Perthshire and Inverness-shire on 2nd or 3rd, and in the south on 6th. Somewhat unsettled conditions were fairly general from 7th to 9th; but from 10th or 11th to 17th most districts were rainless. Heavy rains fell very generally from 18th-20th; towards the north-west on 22nd; and rather widely on 23rd and 24th. Thereafter, except for unimportant falls on 27th and 28th, fine weather prevailed. At Aberdeen, practically no rain fell until 18th, and half of the month's total was accounted for by a fall of 1·20 in. on 19th; on 22nd Kinlochquoich in West Inverness-shire had as much as 4·23 in.; on 23rd Glasgow 1·40 in.; and on 24th Falkirk 2·44 in. between 2 a.m. and 8·30 p.m. In many districts the heaviest falls occurred during thunderstorms, and relatively to the normal the distribution was irregular. Most central and northern districts had aggregates below, or much below, the normal; and most districts along and south of the Forth-Clyde belt a moderate excess.

Thunderstorms occurred over limited or wide areas on 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 18th, 19th, 24th, 26th and 29th. One of considerable severity was experienced on the Borders on 1st; and the most widespread were those of 18th, 19th, and 24th. In the Glasgow and other areas intense falls of rain within brief periods on 24th caused rather serious flooding.

Sunshine aggregates were above the normal. At Aberdeen the month was the sunniest July since 1911, and Stornoway exceeded the normal by more than two hours per day.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 56.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, JULY 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW,* . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	1079	1044	2123	1980	148	1057	562	544	1106	111	62	1057
EDINBURGH. . .	420,264	424,600	346	351	697	647	50	509	226	221	447	72	16	391
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	131	136	267	241	26	214	82	89	171	18	6	159
ABERDEEN, . . .	158,963	157,600	144	128	272	251	21	149	90	92	182	32	21	171
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	82	71	153	150	3	75	42	36	78	8	8	78
GREENOCK, . . .	81,123	81,700	83	80	163	156	7	36	36	39	75	9	3	69
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	68,869	70,900	80	56	136	131	5	37	30	24	54	1	7	60
CLYDEBANK, . . .	46,601	46,200	50	34	84	79	5	49	18	12	30	0	13	43
COATBRIDGE, . . .	43,919	45,200	50	56	106	102	4	31	15	13	28	6	2	30
DUNFERMLINE, . .	39,899	41,100	45	39	84	80	4	32	18	13	31	6	2	27
KIRKCALDY, . . .	39,591	40,300	38	26	64	57	7	35	27	17	44	2	5	47
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	50	37	87	84	3	27	18	15	33	2	3	34
KILMARNOCK, . . .	35,911	35,900	36	36	72	69	3	22	14	17	31	7	5	29
AYR, . . .	35,763	37,200	45	30	75	74	1	15	20	16	36	11	3	28
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	27	30	57	57	0	40	20	13	33	4	2	31
PERTH, . . .	33,208	32,900	36	34	70	63	7	27	22	15	37	9	4	32
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2322	2188	4510	4221	289	2355	1240	1176	2416	292	162	2286

* Burgh boundaries extended May 15.

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, JULY 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	23·8	6·7	11·8	12·4	11·8	0·5	1·2	0·9	1·5	144	68
EDINBURGH. . .	19·3	7·2	14·1	12·4	10·8	0·6	1·0	0·9	0·8	33	49
DUNDEE, . . .	18·5	9·7	14·8	11·8	11·0	0·5	1·0	0·6	1·2	24	76
ABERDEEN, . . .	20·3	7·7	11·1	13·6	12·8	0·4	1·2	0·9	0·7	21	71
PAISLEY, . . .	20·8	2·0	10·2	10·6	10·6	0·7	0·7	0·7	0·5	13	80
GREENOCK, . . .	23·5	4·3	5·2	10·8	9·9	0·3	0·9	0·4	1·6	9	55
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	22·6	3·7	6·1	9·0	10·0	0·5	0·5	0·2	2·0	11	77
CLYDEBANK, . . .	21·4	6·0	12·5	7·7	11·0	0·0	1·3	1·0	0·5	4	43
COATBRIDGE, . .	27·6	3·8	8·1	7·3	7·8	0·8	0·3	0·3	0·8	11	110
DUNFERMLINE, . .	24·1	4·8	9·2	8·9	7·7	0·9	1·1	0·9	1·1	3	48
KIRKCALDY, . . .	18·7	10·9	10·2	12·8	13·7	0·9	1·5	0·6	0·9	5	72
HAMILTON, . . .	25·8	3·4	8·0	9·8	10·1	1·2	1·8	0·9	1·2	7	76
KILMARNOCK, . .	23·6	4·2	7·2	10·2	9·5	0·3	0·3	0·0	1·3	3	45
AYR, . . .	23·8	1·3	4·8	11·4	8·9	0·3	0·3	0·3	0·0	1	15
FALKIRK, . . .	19·5	0·0	13·7	11·3	10·6	0·0	1·4	1·0	0·7	5	78
PERTH, . . .	25·1	10·0	9·7	13·2	11·5	0·4	1·1	0·7	1·1	3	57
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	22·2	6·4	11·6	11·9	11·2	0·5	1·1	0·8	1·2	297	65

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR JULY 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
JULY 1926, .	22·2	6·4	11·6	11·2	1	0	14	15	26	10	41	65	60°·4
JULY 1925, .	23·4	6·6	12·2	11·4	3	0	12	19	69	10	53	78	60°·2
JULY 1924, .	22·8	6·5	12·4	11·7	1	0	25	15	52	21	42	65	57°·4
JULY 1923, .	24·2	7·3	13·7	11·3	2	0	30	12	35	15	44	65	59°·8
JULY 1922, .	25·2	6·6	12·7	11·4	1	0	63	6	39	18	50	62	55°·2
JULY 1921, .	26·0	7·3	12·6	11·2	5	0	6	16	52	17	88	70	60°·5
JULY 1920, .	28·7	7·8	17·8	12·1	5	30	19	7	15	15	59	71	55°·8
JULY 1919, .	21·3	8·9	16·8	11·1	3	0	43	4	53	20	32	78	57°·0
JULY 1918, .	22·1	9·5	12·3	15·7	10	0	44	9	72	27	42	85	57°·8
JULY 1917, .	21·1	8·1	10·4	13·2	2	0	121	9	141	14	42	83	59°·1
JULY 1916, .	24·2	7·1	9·9	12·2	6	0	66	26	25	20	46	72	58°·0

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—July 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.													
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over.		
Enteric Fever - - - - -	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles - - - - -	14	4	10	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	15	10	5	-	8	5	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping-cough - - - - -	26	11	15	10	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria - - - - -	10	4	6	3	5	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Influenza - - - - -	15	10	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	4	3	4	1	-	-	-
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	6	5	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	5	2	3	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	10	9	1	3	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	158	89	69	-	3	-	2	41	36	30	23	19	3	1	-	-	-
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	13	6	7	1	7	1	-	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	16	7	9	2	2	4	1	1	1	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	28	17	11	-	2	3	3	7	4	3	3	2	1	-	-	-	-
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	311	145	166	-	-	-	-	-	4	22	48	99	101	34	3	-	-
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	8	2	6	-	-	-	3	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	21	9	12	9	5	2	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-
Apoplexy - - - - -	217	104	113	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	17	54	83	48	11	-	-
Heart Disease - - - - -	271	118	153	-	1	2	1	6	9	29	41	48	80	42	12	-	-
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	38	22	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	10	8	11	6	-	-
Bronchitis - - - - -	72	38	34	7	2	1	-	2	1	3	5	7	29	13	2	-	-
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	143	91	52	26	29	5	-	5	4	15	8	20	14	12	5	-	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	30	9	21	2	2	-	-	-	-	1	4	7	6	7	1	-	-
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	41	20	21	35	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis - - - - -	19	9	10	-	1	4	2	3	3	2	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	29	13	16	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	5	6	8	6	-	-	-
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	86	39	47	-	1	2	1	3	5	10	17	22	20	5	-	-	-
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	17	-	17	-	-	-	-	2	11	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	153	90	63	151	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suicide - - - - -	23	16	7	-	-	-	-	1	5	5	2	6	4	-	-	-	-
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	100	62	38	9	10	8	10	11	13	10	8	4	9	4	4	-	-
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	343	167	176	28	12	9	4	17	13	29	35	39	56	70	31	-	-
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	42	23	19	4	1	-	-	1	1	1	6	13	12	3	-	-	-
	2286	1152	1134	297	125	48	31	111	118	178	239	366	440	258	75	-	-

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—July 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	14	1	8	...	1	...	2	...	...
Scarlet Fever	15	9	1	2	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	26	14	3	...	2	1	...	1	...
Diphtheria	10	3	4	1	...	...	...	1	...
Influenza	15	7	3	...	...	1	1	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	6	1	3	...	...	...	1	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	5	2	...	1	...	...	...	1	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	10	4	1	...	...	...	...	2	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	158	78	31	9	12	5	3	1	4
Tuberculous Meningitis	13	8	3	1	1	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	16	4	...	1	2	...	2	1	1
Other Tuberculous Disease	28	15	2	3	1	...	1	1	...
Malignant Tumours	311	166	44	21	19	9	9	7	6
Rheumatic Fever	8	4	...	1	1	...	1	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	21	11	...	...	1	1	3	...	1
Apoplexy	217	95	36	18	21	5	7	5	6
Heart Disease	271	119	65	18	16	9	5	6	6
Diseases of Arteries	38	15	8	1	6	1	1	1	1
Bronchitis	72	35	13	3	5	2	3	5	...
Pneumonia (all forms)	143	83	11	12	4	2	7	7	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	30	20	4	2	1	...	1	...	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	41	20	4	4	3	4	...	1	...
Appendicitis	19	6	5	...	2	1	2	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	29	13	4	3	4	1	...	...	2
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	86	35	20	3	8	4	2	4	1
Puerperal Sepsis	5	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	1
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	17	7	...	4	...	2	...	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	153	73	14	14	10	10	5	6	1
Suicide	23	7	9	1	1	...	...	...	1
Other Violent Deaths	100	43	13	12	11	2	2	4	3
Other Defined Diseases	343	130	78	20	39	17	11	6	6
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	42	26	3	3	...	1	...	...	1
All Causes	2286	1057	391	159	171	78	69	60	43
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	297	144	33	24	21	13	9	11	4
1-4	125	53	14	14	8	4	3	6	...
5-9	48	22	5	1	3	1	3	1	2
10-14	31	13	7	1	2	...	2	1	1
15-24	111	49	18	5	11	3	7	2	2
25-34	118	51	19	11	7	3	4	1	5
35-44	178	95	30	13	7	8	4	3	6
45-54	239	111	46	15	16	7	9	5	2
55-64	366	190	58	20	27	12	6	10	8
65-74	440	198	89	36	31	12	8	14	8
75-84	258	100	51	16	30	11	14	6	4
85 and over	75	31	21	3	8	4	...	...	1
All Ages	2286	1057	391	159	171	78	69	60	43

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)— July 1926 —continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.					Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	3	...	...	...	...	1
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Influenza... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	1
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	1	3	2	3	...	1	3	2
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	...	1
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	...	1	...
Malignant Tumours ... ..	...	...	...	...	2	2	4	3	4	6	1	8
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	2
Apoplexy ... ..	...	...	...	...	2	2	5	3	5	1	3	3
Heart Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	2	5	3	...	7	7	2
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1
Bronchitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	...	1	...	1	1
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..	...	...	...	...	2	4	1	4	3	...	1	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	1	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	...	1	2	...	...
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	1	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	...	...	...	...	2	3	3	3	3	2	2	2
Suicide ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	1	...
Other Violent Deaths ... ..	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	2	1	2	...
Other Defined Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	5	4	9	4	2	2	7	3
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	1	...	1	1	2
All Causes					30	27	47	34	29	28	31	32
AGE AT DEATH.												
Under 1 ... ..	...	...	...	...	11	3	5	7	3	1	5	3
1- 4 ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	3	3	7	5	2	1	1
5- 9 ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	4	2	...	2	1	...	...
10-14 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...
15-24 ... ..	...	...	...	...	2	2	4	...	2	1	1	2
25-34 ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	2	4	4	...	2	3	1
35-44 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	1	...	4	3
45-54 ... ..	...	...	...	...	4	2	2	5	1	5	5	4
55-64 ... ..	...	...	...	...	5	2	4	2	5	5	6	6
65-74 ... ..	...	...	...	...	5	4	11	3	8	3	4	6
75-84 ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	8	3	2	5	1	6
85 and over ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	1	...	1	1	...
All Ages					30	27	47	34	29	28	31	32

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of JULY 1926.

OBSERVERS.	BARO-METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.								HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRECIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.												
	Height of Station above Sea-level.	Mean at Station and 32°.	Mean at Sea-Level and 32°.	Mean of		Difference from Average, 1881-1915.			Absolute Maximum and Minimum.			Mean at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.		Number of Days.	Total Fall.	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.							Calm or Variable.					
				Maximum (A).	Minimum (B.)	Maximum.	Day of Month.	Minimum.	Day of Month.	Dry Bulb.	Depression of Wet Bulb.	Vapour Pressure.	Humidity.				N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W		NW				
RENFREW,* The Meteorological Office.	40	29.924	29.967	68.8	51.1	59.9	+1.9	83	14th	41	20th	60.9	3.3	.435	81	10	2.88	-0.21	0	12	9	1	2	11	15	6	6		
EDINBURGH, Professor R. A. SAMPSON, F.R.S., Royal Observatory.	441	29.515	29.986	65.6	53.2	59.4	+2.5	80	14th	47	16th	58.4	3.1	.393	81	13	2.76	+0.13	2	10	7	2	7	4	16	4	10		
DUNDEE, A. MACRAE, Curator of Cemeteries.	164	29.788	29.965	68.3	52.7	60.5	+2.1	84	14th	44	26th	59.3	2.7	.423	84	12	3.18	+0.44	0	12	0	14	0	27	6	3	0		
ABERDEEN,* The Meteorological Office.	90	29.859	29.957	65.5	52.6	59.1	+2.5	80	13th	43	16, 26	58.9	3.3	.405	80	9	2.40	-0.41	6	6	3	11	13	6	7	9	1		
PAISLEY, The Coats Observatory.	107	29.848	29.964	70.8	53.8	62.3	+3.0	86	14th	47	26, 29	61.3	4.1	.413	77	11	2.97	+0.11	6	5	16	2	1	7	15	6	4		
GREENOCK,† J. MACALISTER, M.Inst. C.E., Greenock Waterworks.	233	29.724	29.976	66.7	54.3	60.5	+2.9	79	13, 14	49	29th	59.4	4.0	.383	77	13	3.21	-0.71	1	5	17	1	3	10	23	2	0		
PERTH,† J. RITCHIE, The Museum.	22	29.944	29.968	70.3	52.3	61.3	+2.9	84	14th	40	26th	61.7	4.3	.428	75	11	2.58	-0.31	5	8	4	11	2	27	2	3	0		
Means	157	29.800	29.969	68.0	52.8	60.4	+2.5	..	..	..	..	60.0	3.5	.411	79	11	2.85	-0.14	3	8	8	6	4	13	12	5	3

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 23'; Perth, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

* At 7 A.M. and 6 P.M. † At 9 A.M. only.

MONTHLY RETURN

OF THE

Births, Deaths, and Marriages

IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

AUGUST 1926.

Published by Authority of the Registrar-General.

REPORT

During the month of August 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4222 living children, of whom 2103 were males, and 2119 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month, that of children of both sexes is 288 less, that of males is 219 less, and that of females 69 less. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 20·7 per thousand. This rate is 1·5 less than that of the previous month, and 1·1 less than the average.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 20·5 and varied from 26·6 in Coatbridge, 26·1 in Hamilton, and 22·9 in Motherwell and Wishaw, to 16·8 in Perth, 16·9 in Dunfermline, 17·0 in Edinburgh, 17·2 in Kirkcaldy, and 17·5 in Falkirk. In Glasgow the monthly birth-rate was 22·3, in Paisley 21·6, in Greenock 21·6, in Dundee 21·1, in Kilmarnock 21·0, in Clydebank 20·9, in Ayr 19·3, and in Aberdeen 19·1.

Of the 4222 children whose births were registered during the month, 3959, or 93·8 per cent., were legitimate, while 263, or 6·2 per cent., were illegitimate. The legitimate children of the month numbered 262 fewer than those of the previous month, and the illegitimate children 26 fewer. The illegitimate rate of the month, 6·2 per cent., is 0·2 less than that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate of the month averaged 5·4 per cent., and varied from 11·5 in Ayr, 9·1 in Hamilton, 7·8 in Edinburgh, 7·4 in Aberdeen, and 7·2 in Motherwell and Wishaw, to 0·0 in Perth, 1·6 in Kilmarnock, 2·0 in Coatbridge and in Falkirk, and 3·7 in Clydebank. In Glasgow this rate was 6·4 per cent. and in Dundee 4·6.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 1450, which number is 905 less than in July. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 7·1 per thousand, which rate is 4·5 less than that of the previous month, and 0·4 less than average. The marriage-rates of the individual towns averaged 6·0 per thousand, and varied from 10·1 in Edinburgh, 8·9 in Perth, and 8·3 in Aberdeen, to 2·8 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 3·1 in Clydebank, 3·6 in Greenock, and 3·9 in Coatbridge. In Glasgow this rate was 7·3 and in Dundee 4·8.

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are the means of the same rates in the corresponding months of the three preceding years.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 2277, 1182 being of males and 1095 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence in Scotland but outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 2192. This corrected number includes the deaths of 1132 males and 1060 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 10·8 per thousand, which rate is 0·4 less than that of the previous month, and 0·2 less than average. The death-rates of the individual towns averaged 10·2 per thousand, and varied from 13·4 in Dundee, 12·9 in Paisley, 12·9 in Perth, and 11·0 in Edinburgh, to 6·9 in Dunfermline, 7·4 in Hamilton, 8·5 in Motherwell and Wishaw, and 8·9 in Kilmarnock. In Glasgow the monthly death-rate was 10·9, in Kirkcaldy 10·8, in Ayr 10·5, in Falkirk 10·3, in Greenock 9·9, in Coatbridge 9·6, in Clydebank 9·4, and in Aberdeen 9·3.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 279, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 61 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths numbered 18 fewer than in July. This rate is 4 less than that of the previous month and 17 less than the August average. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate averaged 56 and varied from 101 in Dundee, 88 in Kilmarnock, 79 in Paisley, and 75 in Clydebank, to 16 in Dunfermline, and 29 in Kirkcaldy and in Ayr. In Glasgow this rate was 67, in Falkirk 63, in Perth 57, in Hamilton 55, in Aberdeen 52, in Coatbridge 51, in Motherwell and Wishaw 49, in Greenock 43, and in Edinburgh 40.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 119, and equalled a death-rate of 0·6 per thousand. These deaths collectively numbered 12 more than in the previous month, but 51 less than average. These deaths included 2 from enteric fever, 5 from measles, 7 from scarlet fever, 16 from whooping-cough, 13 from diphtheria, and 76 from the diarrhoeas of childhood. Compared with the number in July, deaths from the diarrhoeas of childhood are 35 more, and those from diphtheria are 3 more and from enteric fever 1 more, but those from scarlet fever are 8 fewer, from measles 9 fewer, and from whooping-cough 10 fewer.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 7. In July they numbered 15, in June 17, and in May 68.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 208, and equalled a death-rate of 1·0 per thousand. This rate is 0·2 less than that of the previous month, and 0·2 less than average.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 198, of which 142 were ascribed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 17 less than that of the previous month, and 32 less than average. The latter number is 16 less than in the previous month, and 15 less than average.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

AUGUST 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·916 in.; greater than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·057 in.

Mean temperature, 59°·1; greater by 1°·9.

Mean daily range of temperature, 14°·2; greater by 0°·3.

Rain, depth in inches, 2·71; less by 0·98 in.

Wind, direction of: a 3 days' excess of south-westerly winds.

Pressure was very high at first; but from about 6th to 21st conditions were rather unsettled, with persistent low pressures at first to the south of Iceland and later over the Atlantic. On 20th-21st a deep depression moved across Shetland to Scandinavia. A more stable type of weather gradually asserted itself and around 28th pressure was again very high. The extremes at Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, were 30·36 in. on 3rd and 29·33 in. on 30th.

There was an almost entire absence of cold weather, and temperature was decidedly high during the first few days, around 17th, and in most districts from 28th to 30th. The extremes were 78° (at Kelso and Perth on 1st and at Kilmarnock and Ruthwell on 30th), and 36° (at Balmoral on 8th). Judged by its mean temperature the month was the warmest August in Scotland since 1911, and the temperature excess was well marked both by day and by night.

Some districts were practically rainless until 9th; but in many there were moderate to fairly heavy falls on 5th and 6th. Over considerable areas rain fell on every day from 9th to 21st; there were some rather heavy falls around 10th, on 16th, and on 20th (2·20 in. in Glenetive and 1·76 in. in Glenbranter, near Strachur); and at e.g. Fort William fully half the month's total was accounted for between 16th and 21st. There were further moderate to heavy falls in some districts around 23rd and on 30th; but at Aberdeen no rain fell after 23rd, and during the last week of the month there was in general much fine weather. Relatively to the normal aggregates varied widely. Some western and southern districts had a moderate excess; but over the eastern half of the country there was a decided deficiency, and this was most marked in the valley of the Dee (Aberdeenshire). At Balmoral the month was much the driest August since 1911.

Thunderstorms were again very frequent, and occurred over limited or wide areas on 2nd, 5th, 6th, on every day from 8th to 12th, and again from 16th to 20th, on 29th, and on 30th. The most widespread storms were experienced on 6th, 10th, and 11th. That of 6th was exceptionally severe in Dundee, and that of 11th in Glasgow. In Dundee on 6th destructive flooding occurred; but the rainfall intensity varied greatly, being apparently most severe in the centre of the city, where about 1·00 in. fell in 20 minutes (from about 2·25 p.m. to 2·45 p.m. G.M.T.).

Sunshine aggregates were somewhat above the normal, decidedly so towards the south-east. At Edinburgh the month was the sunniest August since 1919.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 64.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, AUGUST 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW,* . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	980	1009	1989	1862	127	652	530	478	1008	100	69	977
EDINBURGH, . . .	420,264	424,600	301	311	612	564	48	366	221	210	431	62	26	395
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	159	146	305	291	14	69	107	99	206	21	9	194
ABERDEEN, . . .	158,963	157,600	128	128	256	237	19	111	69	57	126	22	21	125
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	88	71	159	152	7	34	46	49	95	9	9	95
GREENOCK, . . .	81,123	81,700	74	76	150	141	9	25	37	38	75	8	2	69
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	68,869	70,900	59	79	138	128	10	17	22	23	45	0	6	51
CLYDEBANK, . . .	46,601	46,200	32	50	82	79	3	12	13	8	21	1	17	37
COATBRIDGE, . . .	43,919	45,200	57	45	102	100	2	15	25	9	34	2	5	37
DUNFERMLINE, . .	39,899	41,100	30	29	59	55	4	25	12	15	27	4	1	24
KIRKCALDY, . . .	39,591	40,300	29	30	59	56	3	19	8	22	30	4	11	37
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	56	32	88	80	8	16	11	8	19	0	6	25
KILMARNOCK, . .	35,911	35,900	30	34	64	63	1	18	19	12	31	5	1	27
AYR,	35,763	37,200	35	26	61	54	7	24	27	20	47	18	4	33
FALKIRK,	33,308	34,300	24	27	51	50	1	22	16	16	32	4	2	30
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	21	26	47	47	0	25	19	31	50	15	1	36
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2103	2119	4222	3959	263	1450	1182	1095	2277	275	190	2192

* Burgh boundaries extended May 15.

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, AUGUST 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	22·3	6·4	7·3	11·3	10·9	0·8	1·3	0·9	1·1	143	67
EDINBURGH, . .	17·0	7·8	10·1	12·0	11·0	0·4	0·6	0·4	0·8	27	40
DUNDEE, . . .	21·1	4·6	4·8	14·2	13·4	0·6	1·3	1·0	1·2	32	101
ABERDEEN, . . .	19·1	7·4	8·3	9·4	9·3	0·2	0·4	0·4	0·7	15	52
PAISLEY, . . .	21·6	4·4	4·6	12·9	12·9	0·4	0·8	0·7	1·4	13	73
GREENOCK, . . .	21·6	6·0	3·6	10·8	9·9	0·4	1·0	0·7	1·2	7	43
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	22·9	7·2	2·8	7·5	8·5	0·3	1·0	0·8	0·8	7	49
CLYDEBANK, . .	20·9	3·7	3·1	5·4	9·4	0·3	0·5	0·5	0·8	7	75
COATBRIDGE, . .	26·6	2·0	3·9	8·9	9·6	0·8	0·8	0·5	2·1	5	51
DUNFERMLINE, . .	16·9	6·8	7·2	7·7	6·9	0·0	0·3	0·0	0·9	1	16
KIRKCALDY, . . .	17·2	5·1	5·5	8·8	10·8	0·3	1·2	1·2	0·9	2	29
HAMILTON, . . .	26·1	9·1	4·8	5·6	7·4	0·6	0·3	0·0	0·6	5	55
KILMARNOCK, . .	21·0	1·6	5·9	10·2	8·9	1·0	0·3	0·0	1·0	6	88
AYR,	19·3	11·5	7·6	14·9	10·5	0·3	1·3	1·0	1·9	2	29
FALKIRK,	17·5	2·0	7·5	11·0	10·3	0·3	1·7	1·4	0·3	4	63
PERTH,	16·8	0·0	8·9	17·9	12·9	0·0	0·4	0·4	1·8	3	57
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	20·7	6·2	7·1	11·2	10·8	0·6	1·0	0·7	1·0	279	61

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

ERRATUM.

In Table II. of return for JUNE 1926 three types have apparently dropped out in some copies. In the last column (Infantile Mortality) the rates for Glasgow, Edinburgh and Dundee should read 68, 65 and 61 respectively.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR AUGUST 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
AUG. 1926, .	20·7	6·2	7·1	10·8	2	0	5	7	16	13	76	61	59°·1
AUG. 1925, .	20·8	6·8	7·4	11·2	3	0	3	14	58	16	101	78	58°·4
AUG. 1924, .	21·6	7·0	6·9	10·8	0	0	20	18	48	21	62	77	56°·2
AUG. 1923, .	23·2	7·1	7·7	10·7	4	0	23	17	31	8	53	58	56°·5
AUG. 1922, .	24·1	6·5	7·5	10·5	0	0	26	4	23	18	35	54	54°·8
AUG. 1921, .	26·2	7·7	8·7	12·8	2	0	6	14	37	13	213	105	56°·1
AUG. 1920, .	27·5	9·0	10·6	11·9	3	13	6	11	26	18	85	69	55°·5
AUG. 1919, .	21·0	9·6	9·9	10·3	5	0	23	8	21	26	104	83	57°·6
AUG. 1918, .	19·8	9·8	8·1	10·7	8	0	10	5	44	23	129	89	58°·5
AUG. 1917, .	19·3	8·9	7·2	11·5	0	0	33	5	57	13	161	93	58°·8
AUG. 1916, .	23·6	7·8	8·0	12·5	5	0	29	19	25	17	158	95	53°·9

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—August 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.													
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over		
Enteric Fever - - - - -	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cyphus Fever - - - - -	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles - - - - -	5	4	1	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	7	2	5	2	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping-cough - - - - -	16	6	10	7	7	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria - - - - -	13	8	5	1	9	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Influenza - - - - -	7	4	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	1	1	-	-	-
Cerebral Lethargia - - - - -	14	9	5	-	2	-	-	3	-	4	4	1	-	-	-	-	-
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	7	4	3	2	1	1	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	5	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	1	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	142	74	68	-	1	3	10	38	31	23	12	18	1	-	-	-	-
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	21	10	11	6	11	1	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	15	8	7	-	4	-	3	4	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	20	10	10	-	6	-	-	7	3	1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	285	108	177	-	-	-	1	1	2	18	63	81	79	36	4	-	-
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	13	2	11	-	-	1	2	2	2	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuberc.) - - - - -	23	12	11	8	11	1	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apoplexy - - - - -	220	111	109	-	1	-	-	3	1	4	22	46	86	50	7	-	-
Heart Disease - - - - -	259	134	125	1	1	4	4	7	14	7	29	46	82	54	10	-	-
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	28	15	13	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	10	9	3	-	-
Bronchitis - - - - -	64	39	25	8	2	-	-	-	2	1	8	14	15	13	1	-	-
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	124	78	46	20	25	6	1	4	8	18	8	7	16	10	1	-	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	20	14	6	1	2	-	-	1	1	1	4	1	2	7	-	-	-
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	76	48	28	59	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Appendicitis - - - - -	15	9	6	-	-	2	2	4	2	1	2	2	-	-	-	-	-
Other Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	26	16	10	-	-	-	1	-	1	4	5	6	6	3	-	-	-
Hepatitis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	80	39	41	1	-	-	1	4	8	8	12	18	21	7	-	-	-
Erysipelas - - - - -	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	3	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	18	-	18	-	-	-	-	6	7	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	134	83	51	133	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suicide - - - - -	20	12	8	-	-	-	-	1	6	5	3	1	4	-	-	-	-
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	98	71	27	4	16	10	3	11	5	9	9	15	9	6	1	-	-
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	369	177	192	24	12	7	4	15	21	32	40	52	64	71	27	-	-
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	37	20	17	1	1	-	1	-	1	2	4	17	7	3	-	-	-
	2192	1132	1060	279	136	42	35	120	119	161	238	330	407	271	54	-	-

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers) — August 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.					Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	...	...	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	...	...	...	...	5	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	7	3	2	1	...	...	...	...	1
Whooping-cough	...	...	...	...	16	10	3	...	...	...	...	1	...
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	13	5	2	3	1	1	...	...	...
Influenza	...	...	...	...	7	3	2	2	...	...	...	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	...	...	...	...	14	11	1	1	...	...	...	1	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	...	...	...	...	7	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	1
Other Epidemic Diseases	...	...	...	...	5	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	...	...	...	...	142	76	15	15	5	5	5	5	2
Tuberculous Meningitis	...	...	...	...	21	15	2	1	1	...	...	1	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum	...	...	...	...	15	9	...	1	...	1	2	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	...	...	...	...	20	12	3	2	...	...	...	...	...
Malignant Tumours	...	...	...	...	285	114	70	24	16	18	6	6	5
Rheumatic Fever	...	...	...	...	13	5	4	1	2	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	23	10	1	1	2	1	3	...	2
Apoplexy	...	...	...	...	220	87	48	15	11	10	9	5	2
Heart Disease	...	...	...	...	259	101	57	27	23	12	5	5	2
Diseases of Arteries	...	...	...	...	28	9	9	2	2	2	...	...	...
Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	64	31	9	3	...	3	5	3	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	...	...	...	...	124	58	14	13	6	6	3	2	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	...	...	...	...	20	7	5	2	3	1	...	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	...	76	51	5	5	2	2	3	1	...
Appendicitis	...	...	...	...	15	7	1	1	2	...	...	2	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	...	...	26	12	3	4	3	2	...	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	...	...	...	...	80	36	18	6	4	1	1	2	1
Puerperal Sepsis	...	...	...	...	8	4	...	...	...	...	2	1	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	...	...	...	...	18	11	1	1	1	...	...	1	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	...	...	...	...	134	51	16	19	9	11	3	5	6
Suicide	...	...	...	...	20	11	5	2	1	...	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	...	...	...	...	98	51	14	5	8	5	4	...	4
Other Defined Diseases	...	...	...	...	369	147	77	32	22	12	16	10	7
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	...	...	...	...	37	19	2	5	1	2	2	...	...
All Causes					2192	977	395	194	125	95	69	51	37
AGE AT DEATH.													
Under 1	...	...	...	...	279	143	27	32	15	13	7	7	7
1- 4	...	...	...	...	136	70	19	10	5	4	7	2	1
5- 9	...	...	...	...	42	18	9	1	3	2	3	...	3
10-14	...	...	...	...	35	17	3	4	2	3	3	...	2
15-24	...	...	...	...	120	66	12	4	8	2	5	5	1
25-34	...	...	...	...	119	64	24	6	1	1	3	5	2
35-44	...	...	...	...	161	72	35	12	7	5	4	5	5
45-54	...	...	...	...	238	116	40	21	12	12	6	6	3
55-64	...	...	...	...	330	143	59	32	17	17	10	7	5
65-74	...	...	...	...	407	162	75	43	27	20	10	8	6
75-84	...	...	...	...	271	94	73	21	22	14	9	6	2
85 and over	...	...	...	...	54	12	19	8	6	2	2	...	...
All Ages					2192	977	395	194	125	95	69	51	37

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—August 1926—*continued.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Influenza... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	2	...	4	...	...	3	4	1
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...
Malignant Tumours	3	4	2	2	4	4	1	6
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Apoplexy	3	3	5	4	5	3	4	6
Heart Disease	3	4	3	1	3	2	8	3
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	...	1	2	...	...	1
Bronchitis	2	2	...	1	...	1	1	2
Pneumonia (all forms)	6	1	3	1	3	4	...	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	2	...	1	...	3	1	...	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	1	1	2	2	...	1	1	3
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	1	1	2	3	1	1	2	3
Suicide	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	1	1	3	1	...	1	...	...
Other Defined Diseases	7	6	9	6	3	6	5	4
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	1	...	1	...	1	2	1	...
All Causes ...	37	24	37	25	27	33	30	36
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	5	1	2	5	6	2	4	3
1- 4	4	2	3	2	1	2	3	1
5- 9	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	...
10-14 ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
15-24	2	2	3	1	2	3	1	3
25-34 ... ..	...	...	3	1	1	2	1	5
35-44	6	...	4	2	...	1	1	2
45-54	2	3	2	1	4	5	2	3
55-64	4	3	3	5	6	6	5	8
65-74	9	6	7	5	5	7	8	9
75-84	4	6	7	3	2	3	3	2
85 and over ... ..	...	1	2	...	...	1	1	...
All Ages ...	37	24	37	25	27	33	30	36

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of AUGUST 1926.

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North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

MONTHLY RETURN
OF THE
Births, Deaths, and Marriages
IN
Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland
SEPTEMBER 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of September 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 3986 living children, of whom 2056 were males, and 1930 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month, that of children of both sexes is 236 less, that of males is 47 less, and that of females is 189 less. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 20·2 per thousand. This rate is 0·5 less than that of the previous month, and 1·5 less than the average.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 20·2 and varied from 24·0 in Clydebank, 23·6 in Hamilton, and 23·0 in Paisley, to 14·1 in Ayr, 14·9 in Kilmarnock, and 16·0 in Dunfermline. In Coatbridge the monthly birth-rate was 22·9, in Greenock 22·8, in Motherwell and Wishaw 22·5, in Dundee 22·1, in Kirkcaldy 20·8, in Glasgow 20·2, in Falkirk 20·2, in Aberdeen 19·9, in Edinburgh 18·8, and in Perth 17·4.

Of the 3986 children whose births were registered during the month, 3758, or 94·3 per cent., were legitimate, while 228, or 5·7 per cent., were illegitimate. The legitimate children of the month numbered 201 fewer than in the previous month, and the illegitimate children 35 fewer. The illegitimate rate of the month is 0·5 less than that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate of the month averaged 5·7, and varied from 14·0 per cent. in Ayr, 10·6 in Perth, 8·2 in Coatbridge and 7·8 in Greenock, to 1·3 in Hamilton, 1·4 in Kirkcaldy, 2·2 in Clydebank, and 3·1 in Motherwell and Wishaw. In Glasgow this rate was 5·8, in Edinburgh 6·4, in Dundee 6·1, and in Aberdeen 5·0.

Marriages registered during the month in these towns numbered 1752, which number is 302 more than in August. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 8·9 per thousand, which rate is 1·8 more than that of August, but 0·7 less than the September average. The monthly marriage-rates of the individual towns averaged 7·7 per thousand, and varied from 12·6 in Perth, 11·8 in Ayr, 11·3 in Edinburgh, and 10·7 in Aberdeen, to 3·6 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 4·9 in Hamilton, and 5·0 in Clydebank. In Glasgow the marriage-rate was 9·1, and in Dundee 7·0.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 2353, 1212

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are the means of the same rates in the corresponding months of the three preceding years.

being of males and 1141 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence in Scotland but outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 2191. This corrected number includes the deaths of 1109 males and 1082 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 11·1 per thousand, which rate is 0·3 more than that of August, but is 0·7 less than the September average. The death-rates of the individual towns averaged 10·7, and varied from 12·8 in Ayr, 12·4 in Kirkcaldy, 12·2 in Kilmarnock, and 12·1 in Dundee, to 6·2 in Dunfermline, 7·4 in Hamilton, and 8·8 in Motherwell and Wishaw. In Glasgow the monthly death-rate was 11·8, in Paisley 11·8, in Coatbridge 11·6, in Greenock 11·2, in Aberdeen 11·1, in Falkirk 11·0, in Perth 10·7, in Edinburgh 9·9, and in Clydebank 9·5.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 351, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 80 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths numbered 72 more than in the previous month. The infantile mortality rate is 19 more than in August, but is 2 less than the September average. In the individual towns the monthly infantile mortality rate averaged 67 and varied from 119 in Dundee, 106 in Coatbridge, 101 in Greenock, and 92 in Glasgow, to 23 in Hamilton, 31 in Kilmarnock, and 33 in Dunfermline and in Falkirk. In Kirkcaldy this rate was 90, in Aberdeen 82, in Clydebank 78, in Ayr 78, in Motherwell and Wishaw 65, in Paisley 62, in Edinburgh 45 and in Perth 38.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 149, and equalled a death-rate of 0·8 per thousand. These deaths collectively numbered 30 more than in August, but 11 less than the September average. These deaths included 5 from enteric fever, 3 from measles, 14 from scarlet fever, 10 from whooping-cough, 20 from diphtheria, and 97 from the diarrhoeas among children of less than 2 years old. Compared with the number in August, deaths from the diarrhoeas of infancy are 21 more, from diphtheria 7 more, from scarlet fever 7 more, and from enteric fever 3 more, but those from measles are 2 fewer, and from whooping-cough 6 fewer.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 12. In August they numbered 7, in July 15, and in June 17.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 234, and equalled a death-rate of 1·2 per thousand. These deaths numbered 26 more than in the previous month. This death-rate is 0·2 more than that of the previous month, but is 0·4 less than the September average.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 161, of which 110 were ascribed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 37 less than in the previous month, and 37 less than the September average. The latter number is 32 less than in the previous month, and 30 less than the September average.

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Mean barometric pressure, 29·957 in.; greater than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·009 in.

Mean temperature, 54°·6; greater by 1°·0.

Mean daily range of temperature, 13°·7; greater by 0°·3.

Rain, depth in inches, 3·82; greater by 1·08 in.

Wind, direction of: a 4 days' excess of south-westerly winds.

Pressure was at first decidedly high; but a south-westerly type of weather soon developed, and from 11th onwards conditions were very unsettled for some days. By 19th an anticyclone had drifted eastwards to Central Europe, and on 20th the wind veered from south to north in the rear of a trough of low pressure which moved across our Islands. Thereafter winds were on the whole from some northerly point. The extremes of pressure at Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, were 30·45 in. on 23rd and 29·39 in. on 11th.

During the first ten days or so temperature was as a rule high or moderately so; for two or three days around 13th rather low; whilst an incursion of very warm air from 17th to 19th was followed by a sharp drop on 20th. Thus at Aberdeen the 19th was the warmest day of the month with a maximum of 72°, and the 20th the coldest with a maximum of 51°. During the last ten days temperature was seldom more than moderate, and on 25th and 26th distinctly low. The extremes were 81° at Edinburgh (The University) on 18th and 25° at Eskdalemuir on 26th. The month was on the whole the warmest September since 1921.

The first three days were rainless or nearly so; in various districts there were light to moderate falls from 4th to 7th; whilst from 9th to 14th, and in the west from 9th to 16th, rain was more or less general, with more than 1 in. over considerable areas in west and south on 14th and at Kinlochquoich as much as 2·50 in. In east, south-east and south very heavy rain fell during a thunderstorm in the early morning and forenoon of 20th,—with 2 inches or more at e.g. Dunbar, Duns, Galashiels, Jedburgh and Langholm, and as much as 2·64 in. near Prestonkirk. Following a short fine spell there were moderate to heavy falls in most districts from 22nd to 24th or 25th. Very unsettled conditions developed in the north-west on 29th, and these had spread to most districts on 30th (2·79 in. at Kyleakin, Skye). In some western areas aggregates hardly reached the normal; but in general there was an excess, and this was considerable in east and south-east. Thus Aberdeen and Edinburgh had fully twice the normal, and at these places the month was the wettest September since 1908.

On 24th and 25th snow fell on the Cairngorms and other northern mountains.

The thunderstorm of 20th was confined to eastern, south-eastern and some southern districts. At widely separated places thunder and lightning are reported to have occurred at intervals from about 1 a.m. to about 8 a.m. G.M.T.; and at Edinburgh rain commenced at 1·50 a.m. and continued without interruption for ten hours. In various districts flooding occurred, and the Border rivers especially were in high flood. Thunder also occurred here and there on 15th, 18th, 21st, 25th and 26th, and rather widely in the west on 24th.

Sunshine aggregates were above the normal in the east, but deficient in the west. At Edinburgh the month was the sunniest September since 1906.

A brilliant aurora was widely observed on the night of 15th to 16th; another here and there on 8th; and minor displays were reported from one or more points on 6th, 7th, 8th, 14th and 28th.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 72.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, SEPTEMBER 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	907	841	1748	1646	102	789	580	521	1101	125	47	1023
EDINBURGH. . .	420,264	424,600	334	322	656	614	42	395	197	202	389	58	14	345
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	165	144	309	290	19	98	83	97	180	15	4	169
ABERDEEN, . .	158,963	157,600	133	125	258	245	13	138	78	78	156	33	21	144
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	90	74	164	158	6	39	45	44	89	7	2	84
GREENOCK, . .	81,123	81,700	76	77	153	141	12	59	38	34	72	4	7	75
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	68,869	70,900	60	71	131	127	4	21	21	21	42	0	9	51
CLYDEBANK, . .	46,601	46,200	49	42	91	89	2	19	15	9	24	0	12	36
COATBRIDGE, . .	43,919	45,200	49	36	85	78	7	21	25	12	37	2	8	43
DUNFERMLINE, .	39,899	41,100	29	25	54	52	2	27	15	15	30	9	0	21
KIRKCALDY, . .	39,591	40,300	38	31	69	68	1	21	14	24	38	1	4	41
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	36	41	77	76	1	16	10	10	20	2	6	24
KILMARNOCK, .	35,911	35,900	23	21	44	41	3	18	21	24	45	2	3	36
AYR,	35,763	37,200	17	26	43	37	6	36	30	19	49	11	1	39
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	21	26	57	54	3	21	19	18	37	7	1	31
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	19	28	47	42	5	34	31	13	44	15	0	29
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2056	1930	3986	3758	228	1752	1212	1141	2353	301	139	2191

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, SEPTEMBER 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PFR 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	20·2	5·8	9·1	12·7	11·8	1·0	0·8	0·6	1·5	188	92
EDINBURGH, . .	18·8	6·4	11·3	11·1	9·9	0·3	0·9	0·6	0·8	30	45
DUNDEE, . . .	22·1	6·1	7·0	12·9	12·1	1·4	0·9	0·6	1·5	37	119
ABERDEEN, . .	19·9	5·0	10·7	12·0	11·1	0·5	0·8	0·5	0·9	23	82
PAISLEY, . . .	23·0	3·7	5·5	12·5	11·8	0·1	0·6	0·4	0·8	10	62
GREENOCK, . .	22·8	7·8	8·8	10·7	11·2	0·4	1·0	0·7	0·7	16	101
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	22·5	3·1	3·6	7·2	8·8	0·5	0·7	0·7	0·5	9	65
CLYDEBANK, . .	24·0	2·2	5·0	6·8	9·5	0·5	0·5	0·8	1·8	7	78
COATBRIDGE, . .	22·9	8·2	5·7	10·0	11·6	1·9	0·5	0·3	1·1	10	106
DUNFERMLINE, .	16·0	3·7	8·0	8·9	6·2	0·0	0·6	0·3	0·9	2	33
KIRKCALDY, . .	20·8	1·4	6·3	11·5	12·4	0·0	0·0	0·0	0·6	6	90
HAMILTON, . . .	23·6	1·3	4·9	6·1	7·4	0·0	1·2	0·9	1·2	2	23
KILMARNOCK, .	14·9	6·8	6·1	15·3	12·2	0·0	0·7	0·7	1·0	2	31
AYR,	14·1	14·0	11·8	16·0	12·8	1·0	0·7	0·7	0·3	5	78
FALKIRK, . . .	20·2	5·3	7·4	13·1	11·0	0·7	2·1	1·4	0·0	2	33
PERTH,	17·4	10·6	12·6	16·3	10·7	0·0	0·4	0·0	1·1	2	38
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	20·2	5·7	8·9	11·9	11·1	0·8	0·8	0·6	1·2	351	80

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR SEPTEMBER 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
SEPT. 1926, .	20·2	5·7	8·9	11·1	5	0	3	14	10	20	97	80	54°·6
SEPT. 1925, .	21·1	7·3	8·8	11·3	3	0	0	14	24	14	77	79	51°·2
SEPT. 1924, .	21·4	5·9	9·2	12·0	1	0	23	26	46	27	76	79	53°·0
SEPT. 1923, .	22·2	6·6	10·0	11·0	0	0	21	20	26	15	57	68	52°·8
SEPT. 1922, .	23·7	7·7	9·5	10·9	2	0	15	9	32	13	43	65	52°·1
SEPT. 1921, .	27·2	7·1	10·5	12·2	5	0	3	4	23	24	151	96	55°·3
SEPT. 1920, .	26·6	7·5	12·8	12·1	4	12	5	10	10	24	96	73	53°·5
SEPT. 1919, .	24·0	8·4	12·9	11·6	5	0	18	11	21	24	134	113	53°·1
SEPT. 1918, .	17·8	9·0	10·3	11·9	8	0	11	8	32	39	102	92	49°·6
SEPT. 1917, .	18·2	9·7	8·2	11·5	1	0	13	7	61	22	108	95	55°·1
SEPT. 1916, .	22·3	7·2	7·3	13·8	10	0	25	18	21	30	256	125	53°·8

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—September 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.													
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over		
Enteric Fever - - - - -	5	3	2	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Measles - - - - -	3	2	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	14	6	8	3	6	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Whooping-cough - - - - -	10	2	8	6	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diphtheria - - - - -	20	11	9	3	13	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Influenza - - - - -	12	7	5	1	1	1	-	2	-	1	1	1	3	1	-	-	
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	5	4	1	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	9	8	1	2	2	-	1	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	110	58	52	-	2	1	3	27	22	17	22	10	6	-	-	-	
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	17	8	9	5	9	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	10	5	5	1	3	2	-	2	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	24	14	10	-	5	2	3	8	-	2	-	2	1	1	-	-	
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	295	138	157	1	1	-	-	-	6	14	53	87	90	35	8	-	
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	8	2	6	-	1	1	1	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	15	7	8	8	4	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Apoplexy - - - - -	197	93	104	-	-	-	-	2	1	2	22	48	71	43	8	-	
Heart Disease - - - - -	251	130	121	-	-	-	2	3	12	17	31	52	82	41	11	-	
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	38	22	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	17	9	4	-	
Bronchitis - - - - -	72	34	38	10	2	1	-	-	-	2	6	18	14	16	3	-	
Pneumonia (all forms, - - - - -	138	79	59	41	18	4	4	4	9	12	13	16	12	3	2	-	
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	24	12	12	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	6	9	2	3	1	-	
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	97	55	42	81	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appendicitis - - - - -	27	16	11	-	1	4	4	7	3	2	4	2	-	-	-	-	
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	27	10	17	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	5	13	4	1	-	-	
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	57	24	33	-	3	-	1	2	3	3	7	18	12	8	-	-	
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	7	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	25	-	25	-	-	-	-	5	14	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	157	92	65	155	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suicide - - - - -	19	12	7	-	-	-	-	2	2	4	5	3	3	-	-	-	
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	75	42	33	3	11	4	6	3	6	8	11	9	5	6	3	-	
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	373	186	187	28	11	4	4	11	17	22	48	53	76	73	26	-	
Causes ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	47	25	22	1	4	3	-	-	1	4	7	11	14	2	-	-	
	2191	1109	1082	351	128	36	30	86	106	125	248	359	414	242	66	-	

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers) - September 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	5	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	3	...	2	...	...	...	1	...	...
Scarlet Fever	14	7	2	4	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	10	4	3	...	2	...	...	1	...
Diphtheria	20	9	2	6	...	...	1	...	...
Influenza	12	2	4	1	2	...	2	1	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	3	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	5	4	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	9	6	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	110	49	21	8	6	3	5	4	1
Tuberculous Meningitis	17	10	3	...	2	...	...	...	1
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	10	2	2	3	1	...	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	24	12	4	1	1	1	2	...	...
Malignant Tumours	295	137	50	21	17	19	6	5	5
Rheumatic Fever	8	3	1	...	1	...	...	...	1
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	15	7	2	...	1	2	1	1	...
Apoplexy	197	82	36	11	16	3	8	3	4
Heart Disease	251	105	45	16	18	12	6	9	3
Diseases of Arteries	38	12	9	3	7	...	3	...	...
Bronchitis	72	37	13	8	5	...	2	1	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	138	86	11	8	5	5	3	2	5
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	24	9	4	5	2	1	...	...	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	97	66	3	8	5	1	1	2	2
Appendicitis	27	10	5	1	2	1	2	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	27	9	7	1	2	1	...	1	1
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	57	26	12	4	4	2	1	...	...
Puerperal Sepsis	7	2	...	2	1	...	...	1	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	25	10	2	...	2	1	4	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	157	64	19	19	6	4	12	8	5
Suicide	19	9	5	...	1	...	...	1	...
Other Violent Deaths	75	39	8	6	6	3	1	3	3
Other Defined Diseases	373	163	69	27	27	23	12	7	3
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	47	35	1	5	1	1	2	1	...
All Causes	2191	1023	345	169	144	84	75	51	36
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	351	188	30	37	23	10	16	9	7
1-4	128	63	19	11	5	5	6	5	2
5-9	36	22	4	1	2	...	1	...	...
10-14	30	14	2	2	2	...	1	2	...
15-24	86	37	11	7	5	3	6	1	3
25-34	106	48	20	5	7	3	6	3	...
35-44	125	62	19	8	4	7	4	4	6
45-54	248	120	37	13	20	12	3	7	6
55-64	359	183	54	28	23	13	10	8	5
65-74	414	175	80	23	29	18	16	7	5
75-84	242	92	56	22	18	9	6	3	2
85 and over	66	19	13	12	6	4	...	2	...
All Ages	2191	1023	345	169	144	84	75	51	36

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—September 1926—*continued*.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Influenza... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	1	1	...	3	2	2	4	...
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Malignant Tumours	5	3	5	3	4	8	3	4
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Apoplexy	1	3	8	2	9	4	1	6
Heart Disease	6	5	7	3	2	8	3	3
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1
Bronchitis ... ..	...	1	1	1	...	1	...	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	4	1	1	3	3	...	...	1
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	6	...	...	...	...	3	...	...
Appendicitis	1	...	...	...	3	...	2	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	1
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	...	1	1	1	3	...	2	...
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	2	...	1	1	1	...	...	1
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	4	2	6	...	2	3	2	1
Suicide ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	2	1	1	1	...	1	...	...
Other Defined Diseases	8	...	8	4	5	5	5	7
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
All Causes ...	43	21	41	24	36	39	31	29
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	10	2	6	2	2	5	2	2
1- 4	3	2	1	2	...	2	2	...
5- 9	3	1	...	...	...	...	2	...
10-14	2	...	2	...	1	...	...	2
15-24	2	...	2	1	1	4	2	1
25-34	1	...	2	2	6	1	2	...
35-44 ... ..	...	2	1	1	1	1	3	2
45-54	8	...	1	4	9	4	4	...
55-64	3	2	4	5	4	5	5	7
65-74	9	7	15	4	6	7	4	9
75-84	2	3	6	3	5	5	5	5
85 and over ... ..	...	2	1	...	1	5	...	1
All Ages ...	43	21	41	24	36	39	31	29

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH.

During the Month of SEPTEMBER 1926.

OBSERVERS.	BARO-METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRECIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.												
	Height of Station above Sea-level.	Mean at Station and 32°.	Mean at Sea-Level and 32°.	Mean of	Absolute Maximum and Minimum.				Mean at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.				Number of Days.	Total Fall.	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.											
					Maximum (A).	Minimum (B.)	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Day of Month.	Minimum.	Day of Month.	Dry Bulb.	Depression of Wet Bulb.				Vapour Pressure.	Humidity.	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm or Variable.	
RENFREW*, The Meteorological Office.	40	29.920	29.964	61.7	46.6	54.1	+0.6	77	18th	26	26th	53.1	1.9	.353	87	19	2.78	-0.20	0	2	2	5	3	14	17	7	19
EDINBURGH, Professor R. A. SAMPSON, F.R.S., Royal Observatory.	441	29.507	29.984	61.1	49.0	55.1	+1.8	79	18th	38	26th	54.1	3.0	.386	80	15	4.11	+2.23	0	2	2	0	3	15	20	9	9
DUNDEE, A. MACRAE, Curator of Cemeteries.	164	29.761	29.940	62.3	47.2	54.7	+1.2	72	3rd	36	26th	54.0	2.3	.355	85	17	4.04	+1.96	0	3	1	6	0	43	0	7	0
ABERDEEN*, The Meteorological Office.	90	29.818	29.918	61.0	47.3	54.1	+1.1	72	3, 17, 19	35	25th	53.1	2.7	.330	82	16	4.57	+2.35	4	0	0	4	11	15	9	11	6
PAISLEY, The Coats Observatory.	107	29.859	29.976	61.7	48.6	55.1	+0.2	77	18th	34	26th	54.7	2.6	.363	84	20	3.17	+0.16	3	1	1	3	10	12	20	7	3
GREENOCK,† J. MACALISTER, M.Inst. C.E., Greenock Waterworks.	233	29.719	29.973	59.9	50.1	55.0	+1.2	75	18th	39	26th	54.7	3.2	.346	79	23	4.84	+0.09	0	0	7	2	4	14	28	5	0
PERTH,† J. RITCHIE, The Museum.	22	29.923	29.947	62.7	45.9	54.3	+1.0	77	18th	30	26th	53.2	2.7	.330	82	16	3.21	+0.98	1	0	2	10	4	29	6	8	0
Means	157	29.787	29.957	61.5	47.8	54.6	+1.0	..	..	..	..	53.8	2.6	.345	83	18	3.82	+1.08	1	1	2	4	5	20	15	8	4

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 56° 51'; Greenock, 56° 57'; Perth, 56° 28'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 28'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 8° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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MONTHLY RETURN

OF THE

Births, Deaths, and Marriages

IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

OCTOBER 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of October 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4337 living children, of whom 2189 were males, and 2148 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month, that of children of both sexes is 351 more, that of males is 133 more, and that of females is 218 more. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 21·3 per thousand, which rate is 1·1 more than that of the previous month, but is 3·7 less than average.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 21·5 and varied from 27·0 in Hamilton, 26·6 in Coatbridge, and 24·4 in Greenock and in Motherwell and Wishaw, to 16·5 in Ayr, 17·5 in Edinburgh, and 18·1 in Kirkcaldy. In Glasgow the monthly birth-rate was 22·7, in Falkirk 22·3, in Clydebank 21·4, in Paisley 21·2, in Dunfermline 20·9, in Aberdeen 20·7, in Kilmarnock 20·7, in Perth 19·7, and in Dundee 19·6.

Of the 4337 children whose births were registered during the month, 4066, or 93·8 per cent., were legitimate, while 271, or 6·2 per cent., were illegitimate. The legitimate children of the month numbered 308 more than in the previous month, and the illegitimate children numbered 43 more. The illegitimate rate of the month is 0·5 more than that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate of the month averaged 5·7, and varied from 10·9 in Perth, 8·2 in Dunfermline, 7·8 in Coatbridge, 7·4 in Edinburgh, and 7·1 in Dundee, to 0 in Kilmarnock, 2·2 in Hamilton, 3·2 in Kirkcaldy, and 3·8 in Ayr. In Glasgow this rate was 6·2 per cent., and in Aberdeen 6·9.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 1299, which number is 453 less than in the previous month. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 6·4 per thousand, which rate is 2·5 less than that of September, and 1·1 less than the October average. In the individual towns the monthly marriage-rates averaged 5·4, and varied from 8·6 in Dundee, 7·9 in Perth, 7·5 in Edinburgh, and 7·4 in Aberdeen, to 1·8 in Clydebank, 3·0 in Hamilton, 3·4 in Dunfermline, 3·5 in Motherwell and Wishaw, and 3·8 in Kirkcaldy. In Glasgow this rate was 6·4.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 2488, 1301

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are the means of the same rates in the corresponding months of the three preceding years.

being of males and 1187 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence in Scotland but outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 2335, and to include those of 1223 males and 1112 females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 11·5 per thousand. This rate is 0·4 more than that of September, but is 0·9 less than the October average. The death-rates of the individual towns averaged 10·5, and varied from 14·9 in Dundee, 13·4 in Falkirk, and 11·8 in Glasgow and in Aberdeen, to 7·0 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 8·6 in Ayr, and 8·7 in Clydebank. In Edinburgh this rate was 11·4, in Paisley 11·1, in Greenock 11·1, in Hamilton 11·0, in Kilmarnock 9·8, in Perth 9·7, in Dunfermline 9·5, in Coatbridge 9·4, and in Kirkcaldy 9·3.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 370, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 82 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths number 19 more than in September. The infantile mortality rate is 2 more than in September, but equals the October average. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate of the month averaged 70, and varied from 159 in Falkirk, 132 in Dundee, and 102 in Coatbridge, to 14 in Kirkcaldy, 22 in Clydebank, and 30 in Ayr. In Aberdeen this rate was 90, in Paisley 85, in Greenock 85, in Glasgow 83, in Edinburgh 81, in Hamilton 56, in Perth 56, in Dunfermline 47, in Kilmarnock 45, and in Motherwell and Wishaw 35.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 102, and equalled a death-rate of 0·5 per thousand. These deaths collectively numbered 47 fewer than in the previous month, and 49 fewer than the October average. These deaths included 4 from enteric fever, 1 from measles, 8 from scarlet fever, 6 from whooping-cough, 21 from diphtheria, and 62 from the diarrhoeas of childhood. Compared with the number in September, deaths from the diarrhoeas of childhood are 37 fewer, from scarlet fever 6 fewer, from whooping-cough 4 fewer, from measles 2 fewer and from enteric fever 1 fewer, but those from diphtheria are 1 more.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 20. In September they numbered 12, in August 7, and in July 15.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 304, and equalled a death-rate of 1·5 per thousand. This number is 70 more than that of the previous month. The rate is 0·3 more than that of the previous month, but 0·4 less than the October average.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 198, of which 144 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 37 more than in the previous month, but 15 less than the October average. The latter number is 34 more than that in the previous month, but 13 less than the October average.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

OCTOBER 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·844 in.; less than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·004 in.

Mean temperature, 43°·8; less by 3°·5.

Mean daily range of temperature, 11°·7; greater by 0°·2.

Rain, depth in inches, 5·85; greater by 2·46 in.

Wind, direction of: a 3 days' excess of north-westerly winds.

A secondary depression caused some heavy rain on 1st; but for a few days thereafter anticyclonic conditions prevailed. On 8th a very deep depression developed over the Hebrides and moved to Scandinavia, with northerly winds in its rear and further depressions from 11th to 14th. From 16th onwards, with pressure high over or near Iceland, cold winds prevailed, and from 21st to 26th especially the weather was of a very disturbed and wintry type. At Edinburgh, at mean sea-level, the extremes were 30·58 in. on 4th and 29·18 in. on 9th.

Temperature was decidedly high during the first week; but thereafter there was a steady fall, and the last two weeks were exceptionally cold for the time of year. In various districts the mean temperature of these two weeks was as much as 9 or 10 degrees below the normal. The month on the whole was the coldest October since 1917, and the range of temperature was very large,—from 77° at Perth on 4th, to 13° at Braemar on 27th and at Wolfelee in Roxburghshire on 31st. A lower minimum in October has seldom been recorded.

After heavy rains in many districts on 1st,—fully 2 ins. over the Loch Fyne area, some fine days followed; but from 7th to 9th, and again from 11th to 14th, conditions were very unsettled. On 8th or 9th many places had falls exceeding 1 in., and on 12th Ardross Castle (Ross-shire) had practically 2 ins. From 14th to 22nd the only rains of importance occurred towards the extreme north, and in Orkney there were heavy falls around 21st. On 23rd conditions again became very disturbed, with heavy falls on 23rd and 24th in most districts. At Glenbranter, near Strachur, the aggregate of these two days was 3·92 in., of which 2·75 in. fell on 24th. Thereafter the only general falls occurred on 27th, though towards the north moderate precipitation was frequent. At one or two points aggregates were below the normal; but in general there was a well-marked excess, notably in the Clyde area, Forfarshire, and some northern districts. At Deerness the month was the wettest October since 1845, and the rainfall exceeded that recorded in any single month in Orkney back to at least 1841.

Extremely stormy weather prevailed on 9th, around 13th, and around 25th. Snow fell in the north on 18th, and on various days thereafter there were heavy falls, extending on 24th to Border districts. At Dalnaspidal on 28th snow lay to a depth of 12 inches. Flooding occurred widely about 9th and 24th.

Thunderstorms occurred here and there on 9th, 11th, and 21st, more widely on 22nd; in many eastern, central, and western districts on 23rd; somewhat widely on 24th and 25th, and towards the north on 26th and 29th. The storm of 23rd was of great severity in some places,—with serious damage from lightning to the lighthouse on Mull of Galloway about midday and in the Dundee district and elsewhere in the evening.

Sunshine aggregates were above the normal in the east. At Edinburgh the month was the sunniest October since 1904.

Auroral glows were recorded at Lerwick Observatory on 7th, 9th and 11th; and active displays on 1st, 14th and 15th. That of 15th was very brilliant, and observed in many districts. Other displays were noted here and there on 13th and 19th.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 80.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, OCTOBER 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	1019	1008	2027	1901	126	572	617	532	1149	122	27	1054
EDINBURGH, . .	420,264	424,600	330	301	631	584	47	272	235	230	465	66	12	411
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	167	116	283	263	20	125	93	133	226	15	5	216
ABERDEEN, . . .	158,963	157,600	130	147	277	258	19	99	90	72	162	25	21	158
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	85	71	156	149	7	34	50	38	88	11	5	82
GREENOCK, . . .	81,123	81,700	66	102	169	160	9	32	50	27	77	4	4	77
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, . .	68,869	70,900	65	82	147	138	9	21	16	18	34	0	8	42
CLYDEBANK, . . .	46,601	46,200	43	41	84	80	4	7	5	11	16	1	19	34
COATBRIDGE, . .	43,919	45,200	50	52	102	94	8	25	16	14	30	1	7	36
DUNFERMLINE, . .	39,899	41,100	37	36	73	67	6	12	21	13	34	4	3	33
KIRKCALDY, . . .	39,591	40,300	28	34	62	60	2	13	13	17	30	3	5	32
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	44	47	91	89	2	10	14	17	31	2	8	37
KILMARNOCK, . .	35,911	35,900	38	25	63	63	0	22	19	15	34	8	4	30
AYR,	35,763	37,200	21	31	52	50	2	18	24	11	35	10	2	27
FALKIRK,	33,308	34,300	41	24	65	61	4	15	26	16	42	7	4	39
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	25	30	55	49	6	22	12	23	35	10	2	27
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2189	2148	4337	4066	271	1299	1301	1187	2488	289	136	2335

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, OCTOBER 1926.

TOWNS	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	22.7	6.2	6.4	12.9	11.8	0.6	1.1	0.8	1.7	175	83
EDINBURGH, . .	17.5	7.4	7.5	12.9	11.4	0.4	1.1	0.8	1.4	55	81
DUNDEE, . . .	19.6	7.1	8.6	15.6	14.9	1.0	0.9	0.8	2.7	42	132
ABERDEEN, . .	20.7	6.9	7.4	12.1	11.8	0.4	1.3	1.0	0.4	26	90
PAISLEY, . . .	21.2	4.5	4.6	12.0	11.1	0.8	0.5	0.4	1.1	14	85
GREENOCK, . .	24.4	5.3	4.6	11.1	11.1	0.6	0.9	0.4	2.2	14	85
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	24.4	6.1	3.5	5.6	7.0	0.2	0.3	0.2	1.0	5	35
CLYDEBANK, . .	21.4	4.8	1.3	4.1	8.7	0.0	1.0	0.5	0.0	2	22
COATBRIDGE, .	26.6	7.8	6.5	7.8	9.4	0.0	1.3	0.8	1.3	10	102
DUNFERMLINE, .	20.9	8.2	3.4	9.7	9.5	0.3	0.6	0.6	1.4	3	47
KIRKCALDY, . .	18.1	3.2	3.8	8.8	9.3	0.0	1.2	0.6	0.6	1	14
HAMILTON, . . .	27.0	2.2	3.0	9.2	11.0	0.9	0.3	0.3	1.5	5	56
KILMARNOCK, .	20.7	0.0	7.2	11.2	9.8	0.0	0.3	0.3	1.3	3	45
AYR,	16.5	3.8	5.7	11.1	8.6	0.0	0.6	0.0	1.0	2	30
FALKIRK, . . .	22.3	6.2	5.1	14.4	13.4	0.3	1.0	0.3	1.0	10	159
PERTH,	19.7	10.9	7.9	12.5	9.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.4	3	56
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	21.3	6.2	6.4	12.2	11.5	0.5	1.0	0.7	1.5	370	82

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR OCTOBER 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							*Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
OCT. 1926,	21·3	6·2	6·4	11·5	4	0	1	8	6	21	62	82	43°·8
OCT. 1925,	22·7	6·7	6·7	12·7	3	0	9	22	17	25	53	95	49°·1
OCT. 1924,	23·2	6·9	7·1	12·5	1	0	21	27	47	19	56	80	48°·0
OCT. 1923,	24·3	6·4	8·4	11·6	0	0	46	24	18	20	46	66	47°·9
OCT. 1922,	23·7	7·3	8·3	11·9	3	0	31	18	22	19	56	77	46°·5
OCT. 1921,	26·8	7·5	8·6	12·7	2	0	1	12	20	21	115	89	52°·7
OCT. 1920,	27·9	7·9	9·5	12·8	5	9	4	13	15	29	90	90	49°·1
OCT. 1919,	29·7	7·5	10·8	11·9	6	0	18	18	14	43	57	92	46°·8
OCT. 1918,	22·1	9·1	9·7	28·7	5	0	8	12	63	48	62	133	48°·0
OCT. 1917,	20·3	8·6	7·8	12·4	6	0	31	11	52	33	90	99	43°·9
OCT. 1916,	23·5	8·4	7·2	14·0	14	0	49	26	13	33	155	113	47°·9

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—October 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.												
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over	
Enteric Fever - - - - -	4	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Measles - - - - -	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	8	4	4	1	6	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Whooping-cough - - - - -	6	2	4	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diphtheria - - - - -	21	11	10	1	14	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Influenza - - - - -	20	13	7	1	-	1	1	2	-	1	3	3	2	3	3	
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	10	4	6	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	3	2	1	-	-	
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	8	3	5	3	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	12	6	6	2	1	-	-	1	1	2	2	2	1	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	144	85	59	-	2	-	3	40	29	28	19	17	5	1	-	
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	22	12	10	3	9	4	2	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	14	5	9	-	6	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	18	6	12	1	1	2	2	6	3	1	2	-	-	-	-	
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	269	124	145	-	1	-	1	2	3	22	41	84	75	34	6	
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	5	2	3	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	22	15	7	6	8	2	-	3	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	
Apoplexy - - - - -	208	97	111	2	-	-	-	1	1	3	14	53	78	48	8	
Heart Disease - - - - -	269	133	136	1	1	2	2	8	10	14	35	66	78	45	7	
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	34	19	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	4	7	11	8	
Bronchitis - - - - -	104	54	50	10	4	1	-	-	2	3	8	17	37	17	5	
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	174	106	68	55	25	5	-	6	3	16	15	16	19	14	-	
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	26	15	11	2	2	-	-	1	2	2	3	3	4	5	2	
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	62	39	23	54	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appendicitis - - - - -	22	13	9	-	2	2	1	1	5	2	4	3	2	-	-	
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	34	13	21	1	-	-	-	1	1	3	4	8	12	4	-	
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	69	28	41	1	1	-	-	1	2	11	13	14	22	4	-	
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	24	-	24	-	-	-	-	7	11	6	-	-	-	-	-	
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	167	103	64	167	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suicide - - - - -	10	7	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	4	2	-	1	-	
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	83	58	25	2	10	5	4	7	9	9	9	7	11	7	3	
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	418	215	203	43	14	9	2	10	25	38	33	53	85	74	32	
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	44	28	16	9	3	1	1	1	2	3	3	10	6	5	-	
	2335	1223	1112	370	121	43	22	109	114	173	223	366	447	273	74	

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—October 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	4	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever	8	3	2	3	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	6	2	2	...	...	...	...	1	...
Diphtheria	21	9	4	5	1	2	...	...	...
Influenza	20	7	7	2	1	2	...	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	10	5	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	8	4	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	12	6	3	...	...	...	...	...	1
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	144	71	29	11	14	3	3	1	2
Tuberculous Meningitis	22	12	3	1	3	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	14	5	4	1	...	1	2	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	18	7	2	...	1	...	1	1	2
Malignant Tumours	269	115	56	28	13	10	7	9	4
Rheumatic Fever	5	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	22	12	4	2	1	...	...	...	...
Apoplexy	208	84	35	22	16	7	6	2	3
Heart Disease	269	113	51	20	29	9	6	4	4
Diseases of Arteries	34	11	9	5	2	...	2	...	1
Bronchitis	104	48	16	13	2	4	4	2	...
Pneumonia (all forms)	174	93	30	21	3	4	8	4	...
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	26	9	6	5	1	...	3	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	62	35	4	7	4	4	4	...	...
Appendicitis	22	8	2	1	2	4	2	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	34	15	9	3	2	1	1	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	69	34	13	7	4	1	1	...	1
Puerperal Sepsis	3	...	...	2	...	...	1	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	24	7	5	3	...	2	...	1	2
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	167	74	19	19	13	8	6	5	1
Suicide	10	4	1	...	1	1	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	83	43	12	1	7	3	4	...	2
Other Defined Diseases	418	183	76	30	36	14	14	11	9
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	44	29	1	3	2	1	2	1	2
All Causes ...	2335	1054	411	216	158	82	77	42	34
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	370	175	55	42	26	14	14	5	2
1-4	121	64	14	15	2	3	6	4	...
5-9	43	19	6	5	3	2	3	...	1
10-14	22	14	3	1	2	...	...	...	1
15-24	109	55	19	6	5	3	5	...	3
25-34	114	44	20	11	7	5	6	2	7
35-44	173	86	30	13	14	5	3	5	2
45-54	223	125	29	13	11	12	3	4	5
55-64	366	153	73	29	25	14	15	10	2
65-74	447	187	81	43	26	15	15	8	8
75-84	273	106	61	30	27	8	4	4	2
85 and over	74	26	20	8	10	1	3	...	1
All Ages ...	2335	1054	411	216	158	82	77	42	34

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—October 1926—*continued.*

CAUSES OF DEATH.					Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Diphtheria ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Influenza... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	...	3	2	2	1	1	...	...	...	1	...	...
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...
Malignant Tumours ... ..	...	1	3	3	8	3	...	2	5	...	2	...
Rheumatic Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...
Apoplexy ... ..	...	3	2	7	6	5	3	3	...	3	4	...
Heart Disease ... ..	...	3	5	5	1	3	5	6	...	5	5	...
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	1	...
Bronchitis ... ..	...	3	1	2	2	2	...	2	...	2	1	...
Pneumonia (all forms) ... ..	...	2	3	...	3	1	1	...	...	1	...	...
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	1	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	...	1	...	1	3	1	1	1	...	1	...	...
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition ... ..	...	1	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	...	7	1	1	...	2	...	2	7	...	2	...
Suicide ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Other Violent Deaths ... ..	...	1	2	2	1	2	2	...	1	...	1	...
Other Defined Diseases ... ..	...	8	7	4	6	7	2	6	...	5	...	...
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown ... ..	...	1	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
All Causes ... ..	...	36	33	32	37	30	27	39	27	...	...	...
AGE AND DEATH.												
Under 1 ... ..	...	10	3	1	5	3	2	10	3	...	...	...
1-4 ... ..	...	...	2	2	1	1	3	3	1	...	...	...
5-9 ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...
10-14 ... ..	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15-24 ... ..	...	3	1	3	...	1	3	2	...	...	...	...
25-34 ... ..	...	4	1	...	2	1	2	...	2	...	...	...
35-44 ... ..	...	3	2	3	2	2	1	2	...	...	...	...
45-54 ... ..	...	5	2	...	5	3	...	4	2	...	...	...
55-64 ... ..	...	2	11	7	7	2	5	6	5	...	...	...
65-74 ... ..	...	7	4	8	10	9	8	8	10	...	...	...
75-84 ... ..	...	...	7	5	5	6	2	3	3	...	...	...
85 and over ... ..	...	1	...	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...
All Ages ... ..	...	36	33	32	37	30	27	39	27	...	...	...

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of OCTOBER 1926.

OBSERVERS.	BARO-METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRECIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.														
	feet.	inch.	Mean at Station and 32°.	Mean at Sea-Level and 32°.	Mean of		Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Absolute Maximum and Minimum.			Dry Bulb.	Depression of Wet Bulb.	Vapour Pressure.	Humidity.	Number of Days.	Total Fall.	Difference from Average, 1881-1915.	Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.											
					Maximum (A).	Minimum (B.)		Maximum.	Day of Month.	Minimum.								Day of Month.											
RENFREW,* The Meteorological Office.	40	29.801	29.816		49.9	36.1	43.0	-4.4	70	4th	17	30th	41.0	1.1	.233	91	19	6.39	+2.99	inch.	2	5	6	2	3	8	19	6	11
EDINBURGH, Professor R. A. SAMPSON, F.R.S., Royal Observatory.	441	29.378	29.859		49.1	39.2	44.1	-3.3	69	4th	28	31st	42.8	2.1	.228	83	16	3.35	+0.75	inch.	1	2	6	6	3	8	20	9	7
DUNDEE, A. MACRAE, Curator of Cemeteries.	164	29.645	29.827		49.6	37.3	43.5	-3.2	72	4th	26	27th	42.1	1.8	.228	84	17	5.12	+2.46	inch.	0	6	0	8	0	20	0	28	0
ABERDEEN,* The Meteorological Office.	90	29.721	29.823		49.5	38.6	44.1	-3.2	73	4th	27	21st	41.8	1.5	.233	87	24	5.23	+2.23	inch.	1	2	1	5	9	6	15	19	4
PAISLEY, The Coats Observatory.	107	29.736	29.856		49.7	38.5	44.1	-4.3	70	4th	24	30th	43.4	1.5	.243	87	17	7.02	+3.28	inch.	1	5	5	5	5	8	17	7	9
GREENOCK,† J. MACALISTER, M.Inst. C.E., Greenock Waterworks.	233	29.603	29.863		48.5	40.5	44.5	-3.0	67	4th	30	30, 31	43.9	2.1	.240	83	19	9.20	+3.82	inch.	0	3	13	7	3	10	23	3	0
PERTH,† J. RITCHIE, The Museum.	22	29.812	29.837		50.9	35.5	43.2	-3.2	77	4th	23	23, 30	41.6	1.4	.235	88	17	4.66	+1.71	inch.	5	2	2	6	3	15	2	27	0
Means	157	29.670	29.844		49.6	37.9	43.8	-3.5	..	..	..	..	42.4	1.6	.234	86	18	5.85	+2.46	inch.	1	4	5	5	4	11	14	14	4

North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

* At 7 A.M. and 6 P.M.

† At 9 A.M. only.

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MONTHLY RETURN

OF THE

Births, Deaths, and Marriages

IN

Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland

NOVEMBER 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of November 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4181 living children, of whom 2138 were males, and 2043 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month, children of both sexes number 156 fewer, males numbering 51 fewer and females 105 fewer. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 21·2 per thousand, which rate is 0·1 less than that of the previous month, and 0·5 less than the November average.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rates averaged 20·5, and varied from 25·2 in Hamilton, 23·7 in Coatbridge, and 23·5 in Clydebank, to 13·3 in Perth, 17·2 in Kirkcaldy, and 17·5 in Edinburgh. In Glasgow it was 23·2, in Falkirk 22·7, in Dundee 21·7, in Dunfermline 20·7, in Paisley and in Greenock 20·6, in Aberdeen 20·4, in Motherwell and Wishaw 19·4, in Ayr 19·3, and in Kilmarnock 19·0.

Of the 4181 children whose births were registered during the month, 3949, or 94·5 per cent., were legitimate, while 232, or 5·5 per cent., were illegitimate. The legitimate children of the month numbered 117 fewer than in the previous month, while the illegitimate children numbered 39 fewer. The illegitimate rate of the month is 0·7 below that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate of the month averaged 4·6, and varied from 8·8 in Paisley, 8·6 in Dunfermline, and 6·3 in Dundee, to 1·7 in Ayr, and 1·8 in Kirkcaldy and in Kilmarnock. In Glasgow this rate was 5·8, in Edinburgh 5·6, and in Aberdeen 5·7.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 1225, and are 74 fewer than in the previous month. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 6·2 per thousand, and is 0·2 less than in the previous month, but is the same as the November average. In the individual towns the monthly marriage-rates averaged 5·2, and varied from 7·2 in Aberdeen, 7·1 in Glasgow, 6·7 in Falkirk, and 6·4 in Edinburgh, to 2·6 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 3·6 in Greenock, and 4·0 in Hamilton. In Dundee this rate was 5·6.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 3230, of which 1619 were of males, and 1611 were of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence in Scotland but outwith the town of registration, and adding

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are the means of the same rates in the corresponding months of the three preceding years.

those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 3063, of which 1530 were of males and 1533 of females.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 15·5 per thousand. This rate is 4·0 above that for the previous month, and 0·4 above the November average. The death-rates of the individual towns averaged 13·9, and varied from 16·6 in Edinburgh and in Dundee, 16·3 in Glasgow, and 15·9 in Falkirk and in Aberdeen, to 10·9 in Kirkcaldy, 11·3 in Dunfermline, and 11·4 in Hamilton. In Paisley it was 14·9, in Ayr 14·4, in Greenock 14·0, in Clydebank 13·2, in Kilmarnock 12·9, in Coatbridge 12·7, in Perth 12·6, and in Motherwell and Wishaw 12·0.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 485, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 111 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths number 115 more than in the previous month. The infantile mortality rate is 29 more than in the previous month, and 1 more than the November average. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate of the month averaged 91, and varied from 148 in Falkirk, 136 in Edinburgh, 125 in Paisley, and 120 in Glasgow, to 45 in Clydebank and in Kirkcaldy, and 47 in Ayr. In Dundee this rate was 97, in Dunfermline 95, in Motherwell and Wishaw 94, in Hamilton 92, in Aberdeen 90, in Greenock 88, in Kilmarnock 78, in Perth 77, and in Coatbridge 73.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 96, and equalled a death-rate of 0·5 per thousand. These deaths collectively numbered 6 fewer than in the previous month, and 116 fewer than the November average. They included 3 from enteric fever, 5 from measles, 11 from scarlet fever, 8 from whooping-cough, 28 from diphtheria, and 41 from the diarrhoeas of childhood. Compared with the numbers in October, deaths from diphtheria are 7 more, from measles 4 more, from scarlet fever 3 more, and from whooping-cough 2 more, but those from enteric fever are 1 fewer, and those from the diarrhoeas of childhood are 21 fewer.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 35. In October they numbered 20, in September 12, and in August 7.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 697, and equalled a death-rate of 3·5 per thousand. This number is 393 more than that of the previous month. The rate is 2·0 more than that of the previous month, and 0·3 more than the November average.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 221, of which 177 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 23 more than in the previous month, but 22 less than the November average. The latter number is 33 more than in the previous month, and 2 more than the November average.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

NOVEMBER 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 29·453 in.; less than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·368 in.

Mean temperature, 40°·9; less by 1°·2.

Mean daily range of temperature, 9°·1; less by 0°·6.

Rain, depth in inches, 5·75; greater by 2·23 in.

Wind, direction of: a 4 days' excess of south-westerly winds.

During the first three weeks or so conditions were at times very disturbed, especially on 5th, when a very deep depression moved from the Hebrides on a north-north-easterly track; on 13th; and between 18th and 22nd, when secondaries were associated with a major disturbance over Ireland. During the last week a depression over the North Sea filled up and conditions became more stable. At Edinburgh the mean pressure for the month was the lowest recorded in November since 1877, and the extremes, at mean sea-level, were 30·17 in. on 27th and 28·52 in. on 20th.

The last two weeks of October had been exceptionally cold for the time of year and at the beginning of November temperature was very low (9° at Balmoral and Braemar on 1st). On 4th and 5th there was a decided rise to a maximum for the month in practically all districts (59° at Edinburgh University on 4th and 58° at Ruthwell on 5th). Thereafter temperature was, on the whole, moderate, and fluctuations unimportant. The last week, though slightly colder than the normal, was much less cold than the last week of October.

Moderate to rather heavy rain occurred in many districts on 1st and 2nd, and on 4th and 5th very heavy falls were more or less general except in some northern districts, with unsettled conditions for the next day or two. After a temporary recovery, the period from 10th to 14th was very wet in Perthshire and in the West of Scotland, and on 18th heavy falls were fairly general, with further falls in some districts from 20th to 22nd. Thereafter fair to fine conditions prevailed, except for moderate rains on 25th. In some northern districts aggregates were below the normal, but in general there was a decided excess, and this was most pronounced in the drainage area of the Tay and in the south of Scotland. At Dundee and Perth the month was the wettest November since 1888, and at Cargen, near Dumfries, the wettest since 1890. Amongst the heaviest daily falls of the month may be noted 2·87 in. at Eskdalemuir on 4th, with 2·50 in. at Langholm on the same day; and 2·74 in. at Eallabus (Islay) on 18th.

Very stormy weather prevailed on the east coast on 2nd; very generally on 5th and 13th; and rather widely on various days until 20th. With heavy rains augmented by the melting of snow which had accumulated on the hills during October, there was extensive flooding on 5th, the Nith rising to its highest level since 1910 and the Tweed to its highest level since 1891. The precipitation of the month was entirely in the form of rain, except for snow in some districts on 2nd.

Thunderstorms occurred here and there in the west on 5th, 6th and 11th; and somewhat widely on 13th, 14th and 15th, almost entirely in western districts.

Sunshine aggregates were above the normal in the east, and decidedly so towards north and north-west. Fog was prevalent on 24th, 25th and 28th.

Aurora was observed at Gordon Castle on 3rd, 12th, 22nd and 29th, and at Deerness on 28th. At Lerwick Observatory no active displays were seen; but "auroral glows" were noted on 3rd, 4th, 6th, 24th, 28th and 29th.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 88.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, NOVEMBER 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	998	1005	2003	1886	117	613	778	709	1487	125	44	1406
EDINBURGH, . .	420,264	424,600	314	298	612	578	34	222	294	344	638	73	15	580
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	163	140	303	284	19	78	111	127	238	11	5	232
ABERDEEN, . .	158,963	157,600	133	131	264	249	15	93	88	118	206	26	26	206
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	83	64	147	134	13	30	60	53	113	9	2	106
GREENOCK, . .	81,123	81,700	76	62	138	132	6	24	56	42	98	4	0	94
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	68,869	70,900	59	54	113	107	6	15	28	32	60	2	12	70
CLYDEBANK, . .	46,601	46,200	47	42	89	87	2	21	15	20	35	1	16	50
COATBRIDGE, . .	43,919	45,200	50	38	88	83	5	16	27	17	44	3	6	47
DUNFERMLINE, .	39,899	41,100	44	26	70	64	6	17	25	22	47	13	4	38
KIRKCALDY, . .	39,591	40,300	27	30	57	56	1	16	19	14	33	3	6	36
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	35	47	82	80	2	13	25	13	38	5	4	37
KILMARNOCK, . .	35,911	35,900	24	32	56	55	1	16	19	27	46	9	1	38
AYR,	35,763	37,200	33	26	59	58	1	17	26	26	52	12	4	44
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	39	25	64	61	3	19	24	28	52	9	2	45
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	13	23	36	35	1	15	24	19	43	10	1	34
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2138	2043	4181	3949	232	1225	1619	1611	3230	315	148	3063

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, NOVEMBER 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	23·2	5·8	7·1	17·2	16·3	0·6	1·1	0·9	4·3	245	120
EDINBURGH, . .	17·5	5·6	6·4	18·3	16·6	0·3	1·1	0·8	3·7	89	136
DUNDEE, . . .	21·7	6·3	5·6	17·0	16·6	0·9	1·4	1·1	3·1	30	97
ABERDEEN, . .	20·4	5·7	7·2	15·9	15·9	0·4	1·0	0·7	1·9	25	90
PAISLEY, . . .	20·6	8·8	4·2	15·9	14·9	0·4	1·1	0·8	4·2	20	125
GREENOCK, . .	20·6	4·3	3·6	14·6	14·0	0·3	1·8	1·3	3·6	14	88
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	19·4	5·3	2·6	10·3	12·0	0·9	1·0	0·9	3·1	13	94
CLYDEBANK, . .	23·5	2·2	5·5	9·2	13·2	0·5	1·8	1·6	2·1	4	45
COATBRIDGE, . .	23·7	5·7	4·3	11·8	12·7	0·3	1·1	0·5	1·9	7	73
DUNFERMLINE, .	20·7	8·6	5·0	13·9	11·3	0·3	0·3	0·3	2·1	6	95
KIRKCALDY, . .	17·2	1·8	4·8	10·0	10·9	0·0	0·9	0·9	1·5	3	45
HAMILTON, . . .	25·2	2·4	4·0	11·7	11·4	0·6	0·6	0·6	1·5	8	92
KILMARNOCK, . .	19·0	1·8	5·4	15·6	12·9	0·0	1·4	1·4	2·4	5	78
AYR,	19·3	1·7	5·6	17·0	14·4	0·0	0·7	0·3	2·0	3	47
FALKIRK, . . .	22·7	4·7	6·7	18·4	15·9	0·7	3·5	2·8	2·5	9	148
PERTH,	13·3	2·8	5·5	15·9	12·6	0·4	0·7	0·4	2·6	4	77
TOTAL . . . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	21·2	5·5	6·2	16·4	15·5	0·5	1·1	0·9	3·5	485	111

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III.—BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR NOVEMBER 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM							* Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
NOV. 1926, .	21·2	5·5	6·2	15·5	3	0	5	11	8	28	41	111	40°·9
NOV. 1925, .	21·4	5·9	6·6	16·1	2	0	35	21	18	40	38	126	37°·8
NOV. 1924, .	21·1	6·8	6·2	15·1	0	0	60	29	77	29	47	103	44°·2
NOV. 1923, .	22·8	5·8	5·6	13·5	3	0	119	16	35	37	31	73	38°·1
NOV. 1922, .	21·9	6·7	6·6	14·9	5	0	75	18	52	33	40	102	43°·3
NOV. 1921, .	25·2	6·9	7·1	14·4	6	0	4	17	11	22	67	84	40°·3
NOV. 1920, .	26·9	7·5	10·2	15·6	5	4	7	16	21	45	76	110	45°·5
NOV. 1919, .	28·8	7·5	9·8	14·7	4	0	62	24	11	40	50	114	36°·2
NOV. 1918, .	19·9	9·2	7·7	25·8	3	0	4	13	52	51	34	138	40°·5
NOV. 1917, .	21·0	9·1	8·1	13·2	0	0	46	11	30	45	39	103	45°·2
NOV. 1916, .	24·2	7·3	7·4	15·0	10	0	58	16	18	36	73	107	44°·5

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—November 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.												
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over	
Enteric Fever - - - - -	3	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	
Typhus Fever - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Small-pox - - - - -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Measles - - - - -	5	4	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Scarlet Fever - - - - -	11	5	6	1	7	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Whooping-cough - - - - -	8	3	5	3	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diphtheria - - - - -	28	16	12	4	20	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Influenza - - - - -	35	18	17	3	1	-	1	1	-	5	6	8	8	2	-	
Encephalitis Lethargica - - - - -	5	5	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis - - - - -	4	2	2	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Epidemic Diseases - - - - -	9	4	5	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System - - - - -	177	97	80	1	4	2	7	35	45	30	30	18	4	1	-	
Tuberculous Meningitis - - - - -	20	10	10	5	4	4	4	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum - - - - -	8	4	4	-	2	1	1	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	
Other Tuberculous Disease - - - - -	16	5	11	-	5	2	1	2	1	2	1	-	-	2	-	
Malignant Tumours - - - - -	297	133	164	-	2	-	-	2	7	25	56	82	82	32	9	
Rheumatic Fever - - - - -	8	2	6	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	1	2	1	-	-	
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.) - - - - -	18	4	14	8	3	2	-	1	1	2	-	-	1	-	-	
Apoplexy - - - - -	273	142	131	-	1	-	-	1	1	5	20	49	118	68	10	
Heart Disease - - - - -	348	179	169	1	-	2	4	11	11	14	38	68	113	75	11	
Diseases of Arteries - - - - -	49	26	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	8	8	24	5	
Bronchitis - - - - -	249	115	134	49	4	-	1	-	2	7	18	45	51	56	16	
Pneumonia (all forms) - - - - -	402	205	197	120	68	10	3	15	21	25	18	35	46	34	7	
Other Diseases of Respiratory System - - - - -	46	25	21	8	3	-	1	1	3	4	6	7	5	8	-	
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years) - - - - -	41	21	20	35	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appendicitis - - - - -	17	9	8	-	-	3	4	5	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant) - - - - -	28	15	13	-	1	1	-	-	1	4	3	8	9	-	1	
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic - - - - -	65	27	38	1	1	-	1	4	5	3	9	18	16	7	-	
Puerperal Sepsis - - - - -	14	-	14	-	-	-	-	4	7	3	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part. - - - - -	16	-	16	-	-	-	-	3	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform. - - - - -	190	113	77	190	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suicide - - - - -	17	12	5	-	-	-	-	2	1	2	3	5	4	-	-	
Other Violent Deaths - - - - -	80	50	30	7	5	4	2	7	8	9	8	11	9	9	1	
Other Defined Diseases - - - - -	517	244	273	38	11	7	3	17	34	42	47	65	96	105	52	
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown - - - - -	59	35	24	5	2	1	1	-	1	3	9	11	17	7	2	
	3063	1530	1533	485	161	45	38	116	163	195	281	444	589	431	114	

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—November 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	5	3	2	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever	11	4	4	1	...	1	...	...	1
Whooping-cough	8	4	1	1	...	...	...	1	...
Diphtheria	28	12	...	8	4	1	1	1	...
Influenza	35	18	6	5	...	...	2	...	1
Encephalitis Lethargica	5	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	4	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	9	5	3	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	177	75	29	16	9	6	9	5	6
Tuberculous Meningitis	20	8	2	2	1	2	1	1	1
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	8	3	3	...	1	...	...	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	16	5	3	1	2	...	2	...	...
Malignant Tumours	297	133	61	22	28	12	8	7	7
Rheumatic Fever	8	3	...	1	...	2	1	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	18	7	1	1	1	...	2	1	1
Apoplexy	273	123	68	17	14	9	8	2	3
Heart Disease	348	148	63	33	28	7	11	8	5
Diseases of Arteries	49	12	11	8	8	1	1	1	...
Bronchitis	249	127	45	16	9	13	5	8	2
Pneumonia (all forms)	402	221	73	22	14	14	18	9	6
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	46	22	11	5	1	3	1	1	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	41	24	4	2	1	1	1	2	1
Appendicitis	17	8	2	...	1	1	...	1	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	28	14	6	1	1	...	...	...	2
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	65	31	14	6	4	2	1	3	...
Puerperal Sepsis	14	11	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	16	8	3	2	1	...	...	1	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	190	84	28	16	16	8	5	6	1
Suicide	17	9	5	...	1	1	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths	80	38	17	7	4	4	3	1	2
Other Defined Diseases	517	203	109	34	54	16	12	10	10
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	59	39	2	5	2	2	2	...	1
All Causes	3063	1406	580	232	206	106	94	70	50
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	485	245	89	30	25	20	14	13	4
1-4	161	82	22	16	6	1	11	5	5
5-9	45	20	7	3	5	...	1	2	2
10-14	38	12	8	5	2	...	2	1	2
15-24	116	57	21	9	4	8	4	3	3
25-34	163	74	25	16	12	4	8	3	2
35-44	196	101	31	13	14	7	6	4	3
45-54	281	146	46	16	18	6	5	8	8
55-64	444	227	69	37	24	23	15	11	7
65-74	589	254	118	48	41	18	11	9	10
75-84	431	152	106	33	42	16	16	10	3
85 and over	114	36	38	6	13	3	1	1	1
All Ages	3063	1406	580	232	206	106	94	70	50

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—November 1926—continued.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Diphtheria ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Influenza... ..	...	...	1	1	...	...	1	...
Encephalitis Lethargica	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	2	1	3	2	4	1	8	1
Tuberculous Meningitis	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Other Tuberculous Disease ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1
Malignant Tumours	2	1	3	4	1	3	2	3
Rheumatic Fever	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	1
Apoplexy	3	7	4	2	4	4	1	4
Heart Disease	11	4	3	4	8	10	3	2
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	1	1	1	2	...	1	1
Bronchitis ... ..	...	4	3	1	4	4	4	4
Pneumonia (all forms)	7	3	2	4	3	1	3	2
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	1	...	...	2	...	...	2	...
Appendicitis ... ..	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	1
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	...	2	1	...	...	1	...	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	1	1	...	...	...	1	1	...
Puerperal Sepsis	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	3	2	3	6	3	2	5	2
Suicide ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Other Violent Deaths ... ..	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	...
Other Defined Diseases	10	7	12	8	6	10	9	7
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	1	...	...	1	1	1	...	2
All Causes	47	38	36	37	38	44	45	34
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	7	6	3	8	5	3	9	4
1-4	1	1	1	...	2	...	6	2
5-9	1	1	...	1	...	1	...	1
10-14	2	...	...	1	1	...	1	1
15-24	2	...	1	1	1	1	1	...
25-34	3	3	2	1	4	3	2	1
35-44	5	2	...	1	4	3	2	...
45-54	3	4	5	5	1	3	6	1
55-64	3	5	3	2	2	7	5	4
65-74	12	11	12	10	9	11	6	9
75-84	7	4	7	6	9	9	3	8
85 and over	1	1	2	1	...	3	4	3
All Ages	47	38	36	37	38	44	45	34

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

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North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 28'; Mean, 56° 14'.
West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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IN
Sixteen of the Principal Towns of Scotland
DECEMBER 1926.

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REPORT

During the month of December 1926 there were registered in the Sixteen Principal Towns of Scotland, those burghs which at the date of the 1921 Census had populations of over 30,000, the births of 4200 living children, of whom 2192 were males, and 2008 were females. Compared with the number registered in the previous month, children of both sexes are 19 more, those of males being 54 more, but those of females being 35 fewer. The monthly birth-rate in these towns taken collectively was 20·6 per thousand, which rate is 0·6 less than that of the previous month, and 1·5 less than the mean of those of the corresponding month of the three preceding years.

In the individual towns the monthly birth-rate averaged 20·6, and varied from 26·8 in Coatbridge, 23·3 in Perth, and 22·8 in Aberdeen, to 14·3 in Dunfermline, 17·5 in Edinburgh, and 17·7 in Kilmarnock. In Greenock the monthly birth-rate was 21·6, in Glasgow 21·5, in Paisley 21·5, in Clydebank 21·2, in Dundee 20·7, in Motherwell and Wishaw 20·6, in Falkirk 20·6, in Kirkcaldy 20·4, in Hamilton 19·6, and in Ayr 19·3.

Of the 4200 children whose births were registered during the month, 3930, or 93·6 per cent., were legitimate, while 270, or 6·4 per cent., were illegitimate. The legitimate children of the month numbered 19 less than those of the previous month, but the illegitimate children numbered 38 more. The illegitimate rate of the month is 0·9 above that of the previous month. In the individual towns the illegitimate rate averaged 6·2, and varied from 11·5 per cent. in Ayr, 9·7 in Dundee, 9·3 in Kilmarnock, and 8·4 in Edinburgh, to 0 in Falkirk, 2·4 in Clydebank, 2·9 in Kirkcaldy, and 3·2 in Motherwell and Wishaw. In Glasgow this rate was 5·6 per cent., and in Aberdeen 6·9.

Marriages registered in these towns during the month numbered 1745, which is 520 more than in the previous month. The monthly marriage-rate of these towns taken collectively was 8·6 per thousand, which rate is 2·4 more than that of the previous month, but is 0·8 less than the December average. In the individual towns this rate averaged 7·5, and varied from 13·4 in Aberdeen, 9·2 in Edinburgh, 8·9 in Perth, and 8·8 in Glasgow, to 3·9 in Hamilton, 4·7 in Motherwell and Wishaw, 5·2 in Coatbridge, and 5·5 in Falkirk.

Deaths registered in these towns during the month numbered 3209, 1649

NOTE.—The averages used for comparison are the means of the same rates in the corresponding months of the three preceding years.

being of males, and 1560 of females. Deducting the deaths of persons with usual residence outwith the town of registration, and adding those of persons dying elsewhere in Scotland but with usual residence in one or other of these towns, the corrected number of deaths for the month is found to be 3023. The corrected number includes those of 1538 males and 1485 females. The corrected number of deaths is 40 less than that of the previous month.

The monthly death-rate in the Sixteen Towns taken collectively and based on the corrected number of deaths was 14·9 per thousand. This rate is 0·6 less than that of the previous month, and 2·4 less than the December average. The death-rates in the individual towns averaged 14·0, and varied from 19·0 in Ayr, 16·9 in Coatbridge, 16·4 in Dundee, and 15·9 in Glasgow, to 10·7 in Clydebank, 11·0 in Falkirk, and 11·8 in Dunfermline. In Kilmarnock the monthly death-rate was 15·1, in Hamilton 14·5, in Edinburgh 14·1, in Paisley 13·9, in Aberdeen 13·5, in Kirkcaldy 13·4, in Greenock 12·8, in Motherwell and Wishaw 12·6, and in Ayr 12·4.

Deaths of children of less than one year old numbered 529, and equalled an infantile mortality rate of 118 per thousand of the average number of births registered monthly in these towns during the preceding twelve months. These deaths number 44 more than in the previous month. The infantile mortality rate is 7 more than in the previous month, but is 7 less than the December average. In the individual towns the infantile mortality rate of the month averaged 98, and varied from 171 in Dundee, 130 in Glasgow, 128 in Paisley, 127 in Greenock, and 126 in Hamilton, to 0 in Falkirk, 14 in Kirkcaldy, and 71 in Perth. In Coatbridge this rate was 121, in Ayr 119, in Dunfermline 108, in Kilmarnock 106, in Edinburgh 98, in Aberdeen 97, in Motherwell and Wishaw 78, and in Clydebank 77.

Deaths from the principal epidemic diseases numbered 119, and equalled a death-rate of 0·6 per thousand. These deaths collectively number 23 more than in the previous month, but 190 less than the December average. They include 2 from enteric fever, 12 from measles, 21 from scarlet fever, 18 from whooping-cough, 39 from diphtheria, and 27 from the diarrhoeas of childhood. Compared with the number in the previous month, deaths from diphtheria are 11 more, from scarlet fever and from whooping-cough both 10 more, and from measles 7 more, but those from the diarrhoeas of childhood number 14 fewer, and from enteric fever 1 fewer.

Deaths from influenza in all numbered 42. In November they numbered 35, in October 20, and in September 12.

Deaths from respiratory diseases other than phthisis, but exclusive of those associated with influenza, numbered 678, and equalled a death-rate of 3·3 per thousand. This number is 19 less than in the previous month. This rate is 0·2 less than in the previous month, and 0·9 less than average.

Deaths from all forms of tuberculous disease numbered 194, of which 144 were attributed to tuberculosis of the respiratory system. The former number is 27 less than in the previous month, and 67 less than the December average. The latter number is 33 less than in the previous month, and 48 less than the December average.

METEOROLOGICAL NOTES supplied by the Meteorological Office, Edinburgh.

DECEMBER 1926.

Mean barometric pressure, 30·193 in.; greater than the average of 1881-1915 by 0·451 in.

Mean temperature, 40°·4; greater by 1°·6.

Mean daily range of temperature, 8°·0; less by 0°·9.

Rain, depth in inches, 1·28; less by 2·77 in.

Wind, direction of: a 5 days' excess of winds from south-west or west.

The passage of a depression over the North Sea at the beginning of the month was followed by anticyclonic conditions for a few days around 7th, and these in turn by rather unstable conditions during a great part of the third week. By 20th an anticyclone of unusual intensity had begun to develop, pressure reaching a maximum on 24th,—as high as 31·06 in. at Wick. The month closed with a south-westerly type of weather. The mean pressure of the month was decidedly the highest ever recorded in December, and at Edinburgh at mean sea-level the extremes were 30·97 in. on 24th and 29·55 in. on 3rd,—the former the highest level reached at that place in December for at least 80 years.

Rather cold weather at first was followed by a decided rise of temperature to a fairly high level between 9th and 11th. On 14th and 15th northerly winds caused a sharp reaction; from 21st to 25th temperature was decidedly low; and during the last few days conditions were mild. The extremes were 58° at Gordon Castle on 29th and 7° at Braemar on 5th.

In some northern districts rainfall exceeded the normal; but over a great part of Scotland there was a decided deficiency, and over considerable areas towards the east aggregates were trifling and represented only one quarter or less of the normal. At Dundee the month, with an aggregate of 0·31 in., was the driest December for at least 60 years. Rain was general on 1st and 2nd, but within the driest areas the only appreciable falls thereafter occurred between 13th and 17th, any later falls being very trifling. Towards north and west, on the other hand, rain was frequent during the first ten days, with some heavy falls on 9th,—as much as 2·24 in. at Ardour from 13th to 20th; and from 27th to 31st. Very wide areas recorded no precipitation from 21st to 26th.

Wind force was high about 12th and 20th and during the last few days of the month, with gales on several days in Shetland. Snow fell in some districts on 3rd and about 15th, and in the north on 21st; but there was a noteworthy absence of any general falls.

Thunder occurred locally, in north on 3rd, and in west on 17th and 18th.

Fog was rather prevalent during the anticyclonic periods; but in the east sunshine aggregates were rather above the normal.

Aurora was observed here and there on 4th, 11th, or 25th. In Shetland there was an active display on 23rd, with "auroral glows" noted on 16th and 28th.

NOTE.—The mean values refer to those of the Principal Towns named in meteorological Table on p. 96.

TABLE I.—ABSTRACT OF BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES
in the Principal Towns, DECEMBER 1926.

TOWNS.	POPULATION.		BIRTHS.					MARRIAGES.	DEATHS.					
	Census 1921.	Estimated to middle of 1926.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Legiti- mate.	Illegiti- mate.		REGISTERED			TRANSFERS		Total Corrected.
									Males.	Females.	Total.	Out.	In.	
GLASGOW, . . .	1,051,518	1,052,200	1010	911	1921	1814	107	784	790	715	1505	124	36	1417
EDINBURGH, . .	420,264	424,600	329	301	630	577	53	332	286	275	561	73	20	508
DUNDEE, . . .	168,315	170,200	159	141	300	271	29	120	127	129	256	26	7	237
ABERDEEN, . .	158,963	157,600	175	130	305	284	21	180	103	100	203	41	19	181
PAISLEY, . . .	84,837	86,700	74	84	158	147	11	51	57	48	105	7	4	102
GREENOCK, . .	81,123	81,700	81	69	150	138	12	49	43	48	91	7	5	89
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	68,869	70,900	56	68	124	120	4	28	37	29	66	0	10	76
CLYDEBANK, . .	46,601	46,200	45	38	83	81	2	30	18	16	32	1	11	42
COATBRIDGE, .	43,919	45,200	50	53	103	96	7	20	29	29	58	0	7	65
DUNFERMLINE, .	39,899	41,100	26	24	50	47	3	23	27	20	47	10	4	41
KIRKCALDY, . .	39,591	40,300	32	38	70	68	2	26	20	24	44	3	5	43
HAMILTON, . . .	39,504	39,600	32	34	66	63	3	13	19	22	41	1	9	49
KILMARNOCK, .	35,911	35,900	27	27	54	49	5	21	28	26	54	13	5	46
AYR,	35,763	37,200	37	24	61	54	7	27	21	28	49	12	2	39
FALKIRK, . . .	33,308	34,300	30	30	60	60	0	16	19	14	33	3	2	32
PERTH,	33,208	32,900	29	36	65	61	4	25	27	37	64	13	2	53
TOTAL (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	2,381,593	2,396,600	2192	2008	4200	3930	270	1745	1649	1560	3209	334	148	3023

TABLE II.—BIRTH-RATES, DEATH-RATES, AND MARRIAGE-RATES
in the Principal Towns, DECEMBER 1926.

TOWNS.	Birth- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	Illegiti- mate Birth- Rate per 100 Births.	Marriage- Rate per 1000 of Popu- lation.	DEATH-RATES PER 1000 of POPULATION FROM						DEATHS UNDER ONE YEAR OF AGE.	
				All Causes.		Principal Epidemic Diseases.	All Tuber- culosis.	Tuberc. of Respiratory System.	All Re- spiratory Diseases.	Number.	* Rate per 1000 Births.
				Regis- tered.	Corr. for Trans- fers.						
GLASGOW, . . .	21·5	5·6	8·8	16·8	15·9	0·5	1·1	0·8	4·2	271	130
EDINBURGH, . .	17·5	8·4	9·2	15·6	14·1	0·6	0·9	0·7	2·5	66	98
DUNDEE, . . .	20·7	9·7	8·3	17·7	16·4	0·9	0·4	0·2	2·8	54	171
ABERDEEN, . .	22·8	6·9	13·4	15·2	13·5	1·1	1·0	0·4	2·0	28	97
PAISLEY, . . .	21·5	7·0	6·9	14·3	13·9	0·1	1·1	0·8	3·4	21	128
GREENOCK, . .	21·6	8·0	7·1	13·1	12·8	0·4	1·0	1·0	2·7	21	127
MOTHERWELL AND WISHAW, .	20·6	3·2	4·7	11·0	12·6	0·3	0·8	0·3	2·8	11	78
CLYDEBANK, . .	21·2	2·4	7·7	8·2	10·7	0·3	0·8	0·8	2·3	7	77
COATBRIDGE, .	26·8	6·8	5·2	15·1	16·9	0·5	1·0	0·8	5·5	12	121
DUNFERMLINE, .	14·3	6·0	6·6	13·5	11·8	0·3	0·9	0·9	2·3	7	108
KIRKCALDY, . .	20·4	2·9	7·6	12·8	13·4	0·0	0·9	0·3	2·0	1	14
HAMILTON, . . .	19·6	4·5	3·9	12·2	14·5	0·3	0·6	0·6	3·0	11	126
KILMARNOCK, .	17·7	9·3	6·9	17·7	15·1	0·7	0·3	0·3	4·3	7	106
AYR,	19·3	11·5	8·6	15·5	12·4	1·0	1·6	1·3	2·9	8	119
FALKIRK, . . .	20·6	0·0	5·5	11·3	11·0	0·7	0·7	0·7	1·4	0	0
PERTH,	23·3	6·2	8·9	22·9	19·0	1·4	0·4	0·4	2·9	4	71
TOTAL . (SIXTEEN TOWNS)	20·6	6·4	8·6	15·8	14·9	0·6	1·0	0·7	3·3	529	118

* Based on the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

TABLE III. - BIRTH-RATE, DEATH-RATE, ETC. FOR DECEMBER 1926, and for the Corresponding Month of the Preceding Ten Years, in the PRINCIPAL TOWNS.

MONTH.	Birth-Rate.	Illegitimate Birth-rate per 100 Births.	Marriage-Rate.	Death-Rate.	DEATHS FROM								* Infantile Mortality Rate.	Mean Temperature. (Seven Towns only.)
					Enteric Fever.	Smallpox.	Measles.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Diphtheria.	Diarrhoea (Under 2 Years).			
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	
DEC. 1926, . .	20·6	6·4	8·6	14·9	2	0	12	21	18	39	27	118	40°·4	
DEC. 1925, . .	22·6	6·6	8·5	18·7	1	0	67	21	33	42	44	122	35°·1	
DEC. 1924, . .	21·3	7·1	9·7	16·7	4	0	96	34	166	29	47	125	44°·5	
DEC. 1923, . .	22·7	6·7	9·8	16·1	2	0	190	21	57	32	37	98	37°·8	
DEC. 1922, . .	24·1	7·1	9·0	14·2	3	0	92	20	53	34	34	113	41°·3	
DEC. 1921, . .	26·1	6·3	10·0	14·7	2	0	77	14	26	32	43	89	43°·3	
DEC. 1920, . .	27·3	8·5	13·2	17·6	3	4	12	10	36	36	47	119	38°·7	
DEC. 1919, . .	33·0	7·3	14·4	15·5	3	0	60	19	20	47	49	122	33°·9	
DEC. 1918, . .	19·4	9·8	10·8	17·7	3	0	3	9	55	40	32	129	41°·1	
DEC. 1917, . .	18·2	9·2	9·8	14·5	7	0	64	8	54	50	45	124	37°·0	
DEC. 1916, . .	21·1	8·5	9·2	17·5	5	0	51	14	34	25	54	122	37°·7	

* Per 1000 of the average number of births registered monthly during the past 12 months.

AGGREGATE OF THE SIXTEEN PRINCIPAL TOWNS—December 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Age.												
				-1	1-	5-	10-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75-	85 & over.	
Enteric Fever	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	
Typhus Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Small-pox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Measles	12	9	3	5	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Scarlet Fever	21	11	10	2	8	8	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Whooping-cough	18	8	10	8	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diphtheria	39	23	16	3	24	10	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Influenza	42	17	25	3	1	2	1	2	-	4	3	9	8	5	4	
Encephalitis Lethargica	7	4	3	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	11	5	6	5	4	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Epidemic Diseases	14	4	10	2	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	2	3	1	1	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	144	69	75	-	2	1	7	35	40	24	21	9	4	1	-	
Tuberculous Meningitis	13	9	4	5	7	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tuberculosis of Intestines and Peritoneum	16	10	6	3	4	3	1	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	
Other Tuberculous Disease	21	8	13	-	5	2	3	4	1	4	1	-	1	-	-	
Malignant Tumours	281	140	141	-	-	-	-	1	9	22	50	96	76	24	3	
Rheumatic Fever	15	6	9	-	-	3	2	5	1	1	2	-	1	-	-	
Meningitis (not Cer.-spin. or Tuberc.)	22	14	8	12	3	2	2	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	
Apoplexy	268	132	136	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	15	66	95	75	13	
Heart Disease	335	156	179	-	-	1	2	6	18	16	48	75	95	57	17	
Diseases of Arteries	41	30	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	7	13	16	2	
Bronchitis	244	114	130	38	5	-	-	4	1	8	18	45	64	46	15	
Pneumonia (all forms)	396	227	169	147	71	6	3	9	9	15	35	39	35	23	4	
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	38	16	22	9	4	-	-	-	-	2	4	3	7	9	-	
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	27	18	9	25	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Appendicitis	11	7	4	-	1	2	-	2	1	-	4	1	-	-	-	
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	20	6	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	7	4	2	-	
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	86	43	43	-	-	1	1	4	6	8	19	22	21	3	1	
Puerperal Sepsis	13	-	13	-	-	-	-	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Other Dis. & Accidents of Preg. & Part.	19	-	19	-	-	-	-	1	11	7	-	-	-	-	-	
Diseases of Early Infancy and Malform.	209	113	96	207	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Suicide	20	15	5	-	-	-	-	2	2	5	10	1	-	-	-	
Other Violent Deaths	108	73	35	6	13	9	2	4	6	14	17	13	9	10	5	
Other Defined Diseases	455	220	235	45	15	3	2	7	20	33	58	52	87	94	39	
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	55	30	25	4	2	-	-	1	1	7	9	12	12	5	2	
	3023	1538	1485	529	190	54	30	98	135	180	329	462	538	372	106	

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—December 1926.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Total.	Glasgow.	Edinburgh.	Dundee.	Aberdeen.	Paisley.	Greenock.	Motherwell and Wishaw.	Clydebank.
Enteric Fever	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles	12	2	7	...	2	...	...	...	...
Scarlet Fever	21	10	5	2	2	...	...	...	...
Whooping-cough	18	11	1	1	3	...	...	1	...
Diphtheria	39	15	6	5	5	1	2	...	...
Influenza	42	20	10	2	...	1	1	1	1
Encephalitis Lethargica	7	4	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis	11	6	4	1	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases	14	9	5	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	144	74	27	3	5	6	7	2	3
Tuberculous Meningitis	13	4	2	1	4	...	...	1	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	16	7	3	1	2	1	...	1	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	21	13	...	1	3	1	...	1	...
Malignant Tumours	281	131	46	20	21	12	5	7	2
Rheumatic Fever	15	7	2	...	3	...	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	22	12	5	1	...	...	3	...	...
Apoplexy	268	105	50	24	18	5	9	6	6
Heart Disease	335	143	76	31	15	15	8	7	2
Diseases of Arteries	41	10	13	6	4	1	...	2	...
Bronchitis	244	118	43	14	14	5	6	8	2
Pneumonia (all forms)	396	237	39	21	12	19	13	9	6
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	38	17	7	5	1	1	...	...	1
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	27	11	1	5	3	...	1	...	1
Appendicitis	11	6	1	1	2	1	...	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	20	6	2	3	3	...	...	...	1
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic	86	45	13	4	6	3	3	6	1
Puerperal Sepsis	13	4	2	1	2	...	2	...	...
Other Diseases and Accidents of Preg- nancy and Parturition	19	7	3	2	...	...	1	1	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	209	100	29	32	8	15	6	4	1
Suicide	20	7	5	...	2	1	1	...	2
Other Violent Deaths	108	48	19	5	1	3	3	3	6
Other Defined Diseases	455	188	78	42	40	10	16	14	6
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	55	40	2	2	...	1	2	1	1
All Causes ...	3023	1417	508	237	181	102	89	76	42
AGE AT DEATH.									
Under 1	529	271	66	54	28	21	21	11	7
1-4	190	94	32	12	9	10	3	7	3
5-9	54	21	5	5	8	1	1	2	1
10-14	30	19	...	...	2	...	3	...	2
15-24	98	48	14	6	3	5	2	2	2
25-34	135	67	21	5	6	2	7	2	4
35-44	180	100	25	11	10	6	5	6	2
45-54	329	153	55	13	19	14	9	15	6
55-64	462	223	83	38	14	19	12	10	4
65-74	538	220	122	44	35	12	14	12	5
75-84	372	166	59	38	30	11	11	7	6
85 and over	106	35	26	11	17	1	1	2	...
All Ages ...	3023	1417	508	237	181	102	89	76	42

DEATHS IN EACH TOWN (corrected for Transfers)—December 1926—*continued*.

CAUSES OF DEATH.	Coatbridge.	Dunfermline.	Kirkcaldy.	Hamilton.	Kilmarnock.	Ayr.	Falkirk.	Perth.
Enteric Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...
Typhus Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Small-pox ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Measles ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...
Scarlet Fever ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Whooping-cough ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Diphtheria	2	1	...	...	...	...	1	1
Influenza... ..	2	...	1	1	...	...	2	...
Encephalitis Lethargica ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other Epidemic Diseases ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	3	3	1	2	1	4	2	1
Tuberculous Meningitis ... ..	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Tuber. of Intestines and Peritoneum ...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
Other Tuberculous Disease	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
Malignant Tumours	7	3	8	8	1	1	4	5
Rheumatic Fever	1	...	...	1	1	...	...	...
Meningitis (not Cerebro-spinal or Tuber.)	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
Apoplexy	4	3	9	7	6	2	5	9
Heart Disease	3	8	3	3	6	6	3	6
Diseases of Arteries ... ..	...	...	1	2	1	...	...	1
Bronchitis	7	5	2	1	4	5	2	8
Pneumonia (all forms)	14	2	3	9	8	2	2	...
Other Diseases of Respiratory System ...	...	1	2	...	1	2	...	...
Diarrhoea and Enteritis (under 2 years)	...	...	...	1	1	2	...	1
Appendicitis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
All Diseases of Liver (not Malignant)	1	1	1	1	...	...	1	...
Nephritis, Acute and Chronic... ..	1	...	1	...	3	...	...	...
Puerperal Sepsis ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1
Other Diseases and Accidents of Pregnancy and Parturition	1	1	2	...	...	1	...	...
Dis. of Early Infancy and Malformations	3	4	...	4	1	...	...	2
Suicide ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Other Violent Deaths	6	1	1	2	3	...	2	5
Other Defined Diseases	8	6	8	6	8	11	6	8
Causes Ill-defined or Unknown	1	2	1	...	...	1	...	1
All Causes	65	41	46	49	46	39	32	53
AGE AT DEATH.								
Under 1	12	7	1	11	7	8	...	4
1-4	6	1	2	4	1	2	1	3
5-9	4	1	...	2	...	...	2	1
10-14	1	...	...	1	...	...	2	...
15-24	5	3	2	...	2	3	...	1
25-34	2	2	2	3	4	3	2	3
35-44	2	1	3	1	2	2	3	1
45-54	8	5	4	7	1	6	3	8
55-64	7	5	9	6	5	3	9	15
65-74	8	9	13	9	12	8	8	7
75-84	6	7	6	5	9	3	2	6
85 and over	4	...	4	...	3	1	...	4
All Ages	65	41	46	49	46	39	32	53

ABSTRACT OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

Made at RENFREW (for GLASGOW), EDINBURGH, DUNDEE, ABERDEEN, PAISLEY, GREENOCK, and PERTH,

During the Month of DECEMBER 1926.

OBSERVERS.	BARO-METER.		AIR TEMPERATURE.						HYGROMETER.				RAIN, AND OTHER FORMS OF PRECIPITATION.		WIND DIRECTIONS.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																											
	Height of Station above Sea-level.		Mean at Station and 32°.		Mean at Sea-Level and 32°.		Mean of		Absolute Maximum and Minimum.				Mean at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.				Number of Days.		Total Fall.		Difference from Average, 1881-1915.		Number of Observations at 9 A.M. and 9 P.M.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																			
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North Latitude.—Renfrew, 55° 52'; Edinburgh, 55° 55'; Dundee, 56° 28'; Aberdeen, 57° 9'; Paisley 55° 51'; Greenock, 55° 57'; Perth, 56° 23'; Mean, 56° 14'.
 West Longitude.—Renfrew, 4° 24'; Edinburgh, 3° 11'; Dundee, 2° 57'; Aberdeen, 2° 7'; Paisley, 4° 27'; Greenock, 4° 46'; Perth, 3° 25'; Mean, 3° 37'.

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